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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™
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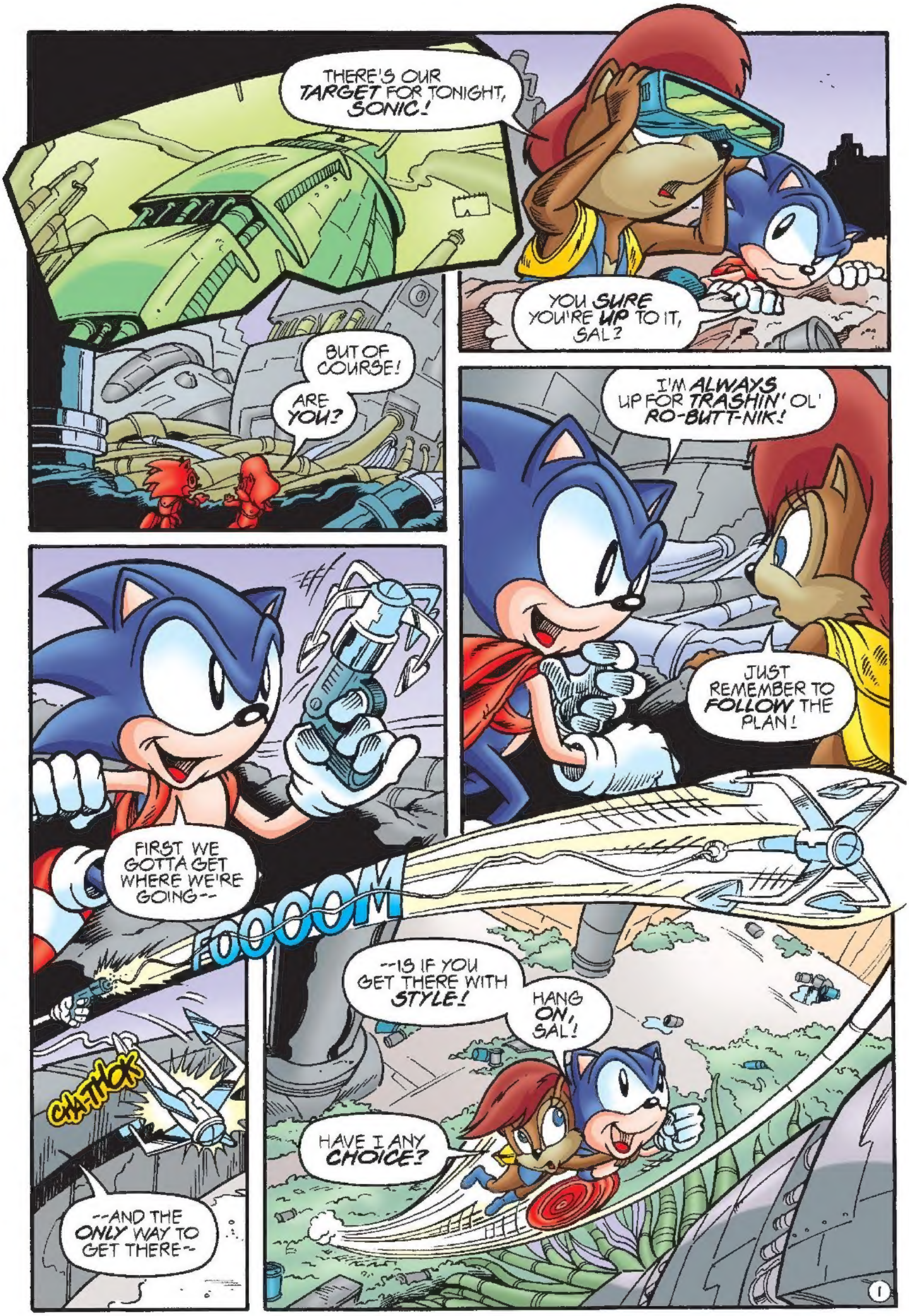
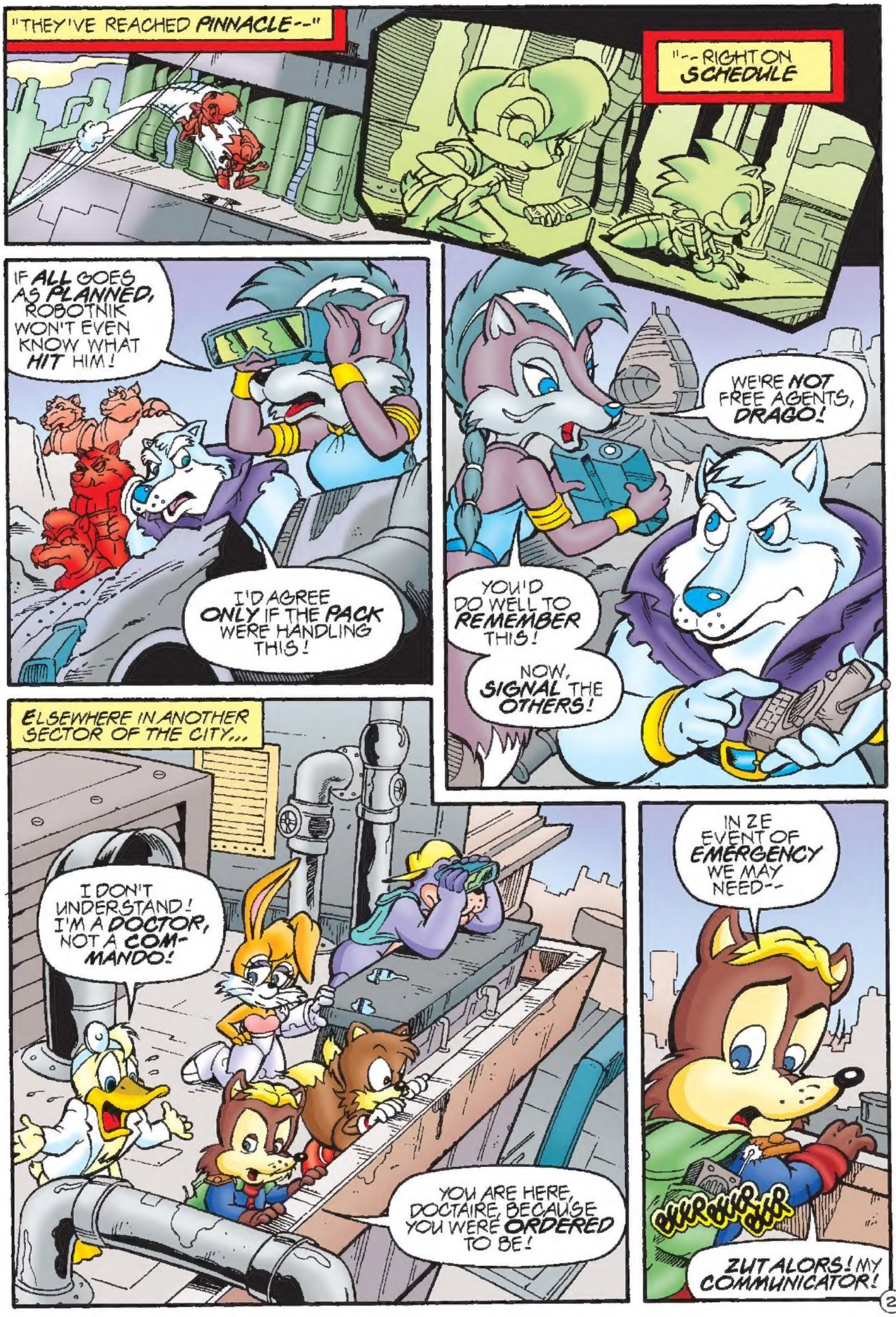
THIS IS IT!
THE ULTIMATE BATTLE BEGINS HERE!
ENDGAME
PART 1 OF 4
SPAZ-HARVO

It is the year 3235 on the planet Mobius and the war being fought upon its surface lands has entered its eleventh year. A war that began as another had just concluded. A war that had its origins from the seeds of betrayal within.

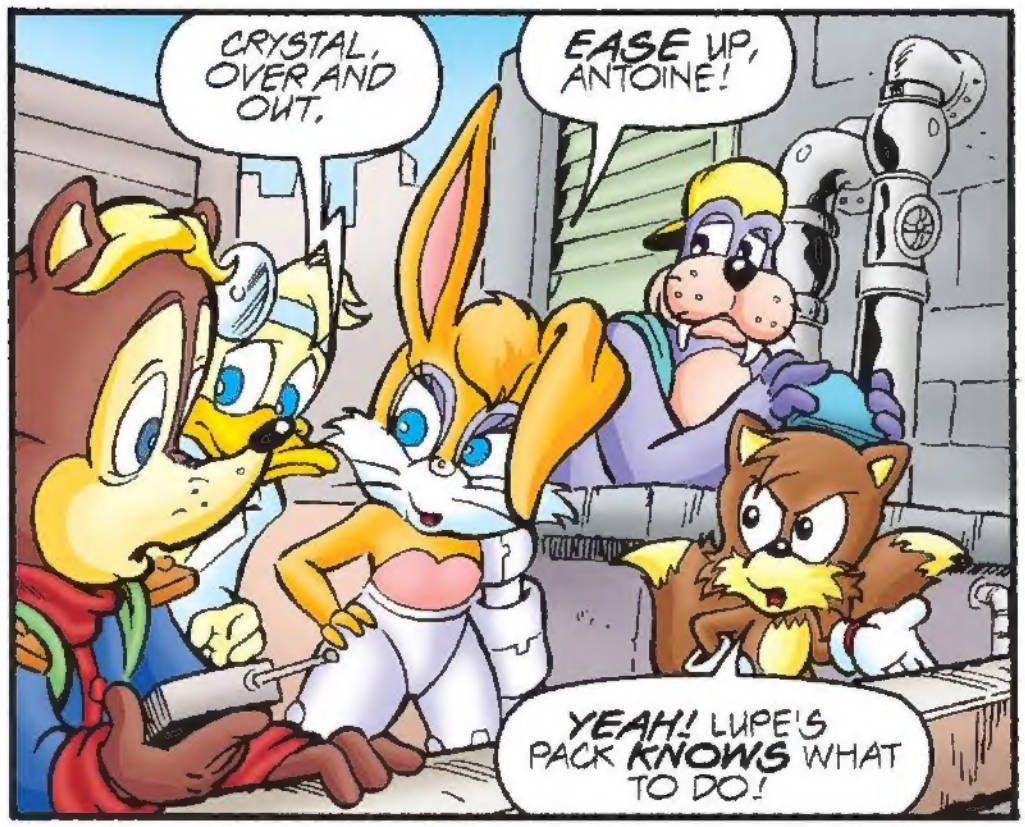
Warlord Julian had seized the power and authority of the House of Acorn, and exiled the King forevermore to the Zone of Silence. Upon which, Julian became Robotnik and began a systematic conquest of the now-renamed Robotropolis and all its inhabitants.

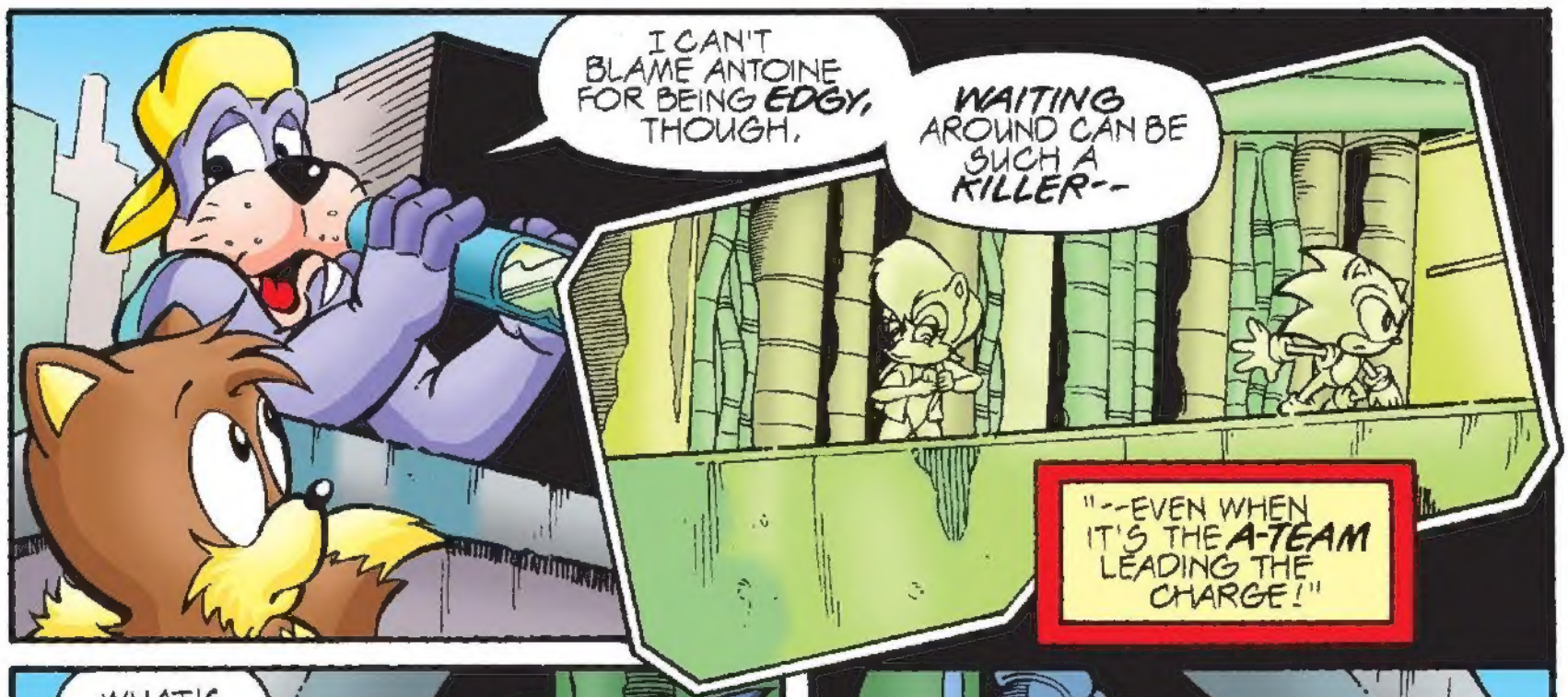
It is now the eve of what may prove to be the final battle between the successors to the House of Acorn and its usurper. A battle full of heroes and villains, winners and losers, those that survive and those who have fallen...


THERE'S OUR TARGET FOR TONIGHT, SONIC!
YOU SURE YOU'RE UP TO IT, SAL?
BUT OF COURSE!
ARE YOU?
I'M ALWAYS UP FOR TRASHIN' OL' RO-BUTT-NIK!
JUST REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE PLAN!
FIRST WE GOTTA GET WHERE WE'RE GOING--
FOOOOOM
--IS IF YOU GET THERE WITH STYLE!
HANG ON, SAL!
CHA-THOK
HAVE I ANY CHOICE?
--AND THE ONLY WAY TO GET THERE--


"THEY'VE REACHED PINNACLE--"
"--RIGHT ON SCHEDULE
IF ALL GOES AS PLANNED, ROBOTNIK WON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT HIT HIM!
I'D AGREE ONLY IF THE PACK WERE HANDLING THIS!
WE'RE NOT FREE AGENTS, DRAGO!
YOU'D DO WELL TO REMEMBER THIS!
NOW, SIGNAL THE OTHERS!
ELSEWHERE IN ANOTHER SECTOR OF THE CITY...
I DON'T UNDERSTAND! I'M A DOCTOR, NOT A COMMANDO!
YOU ARE HERE, DOCTAIRE, BECAUSE YOU WERE ORDERED TO BE!
IN ZE EVENT OF EMERGENCY WE MAY NEED--
ZUT ALORS! MY COMMUNICATOR!

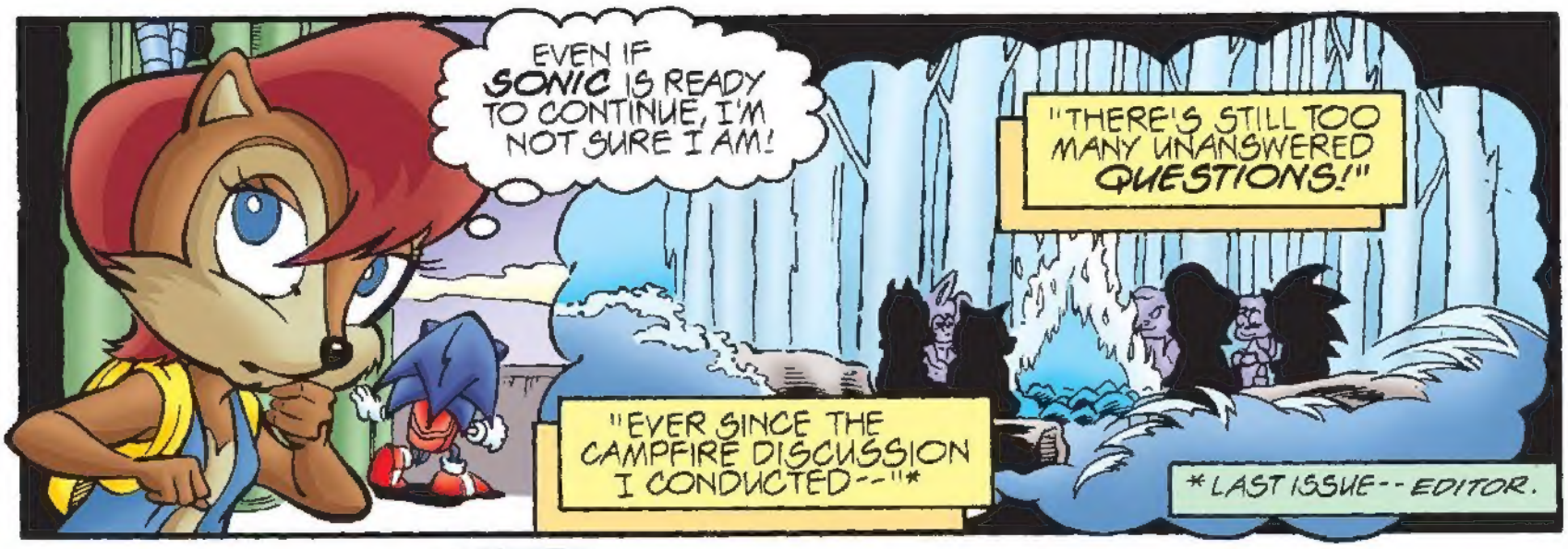
THEY'VE REACHED PINNACLE! WE'RE READY TO MOVE IN!
WE MOVE IN WHEN WE GET ZE SIGNAL-- NOT A SECOND SOONER!
IS ZAT UNDERSTOOD?

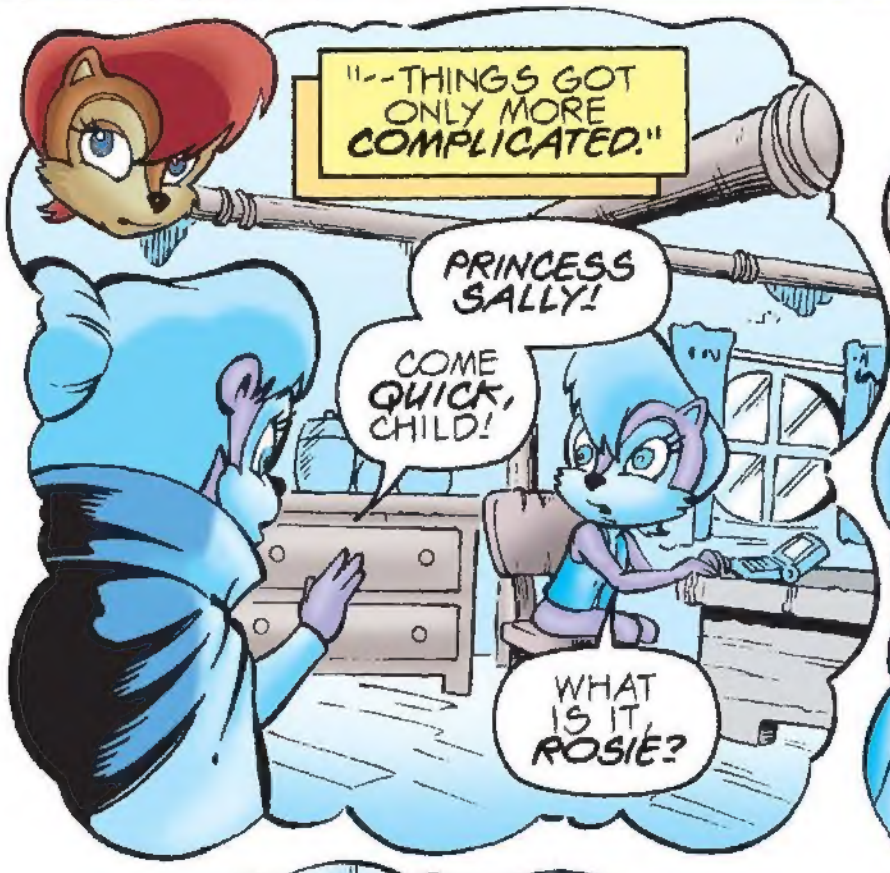

CRYSTAL, OVER AND OUT.
EASE UP, ANTOINE!
YEAH! LUPE'S PACK KNOWS WHAT TO DO!


I CAN'T BLAME ANTOINE FOR BEING EDGY, THOUGH.
WAITING AROUND CAN BE SUCH A KILLER--
"--EVEN WHEN IT'S THE A-TEAM LEADING THE CHARGE!"

WHAT'S WRONG, SAL?
YOU OKAY?

I'LL BE FINE!
MUST BE THE AIR--
READY?


EVEN IF SONIC IS READY TO CONTINUE, I'M NOT SURE I AM!
"THERE'S STILL TOO MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS!"
"EVER SINCE THE CAMPFIRE DISCUSSION I CONDUCTED--"*
*LAST ISSUE--EDITOR.

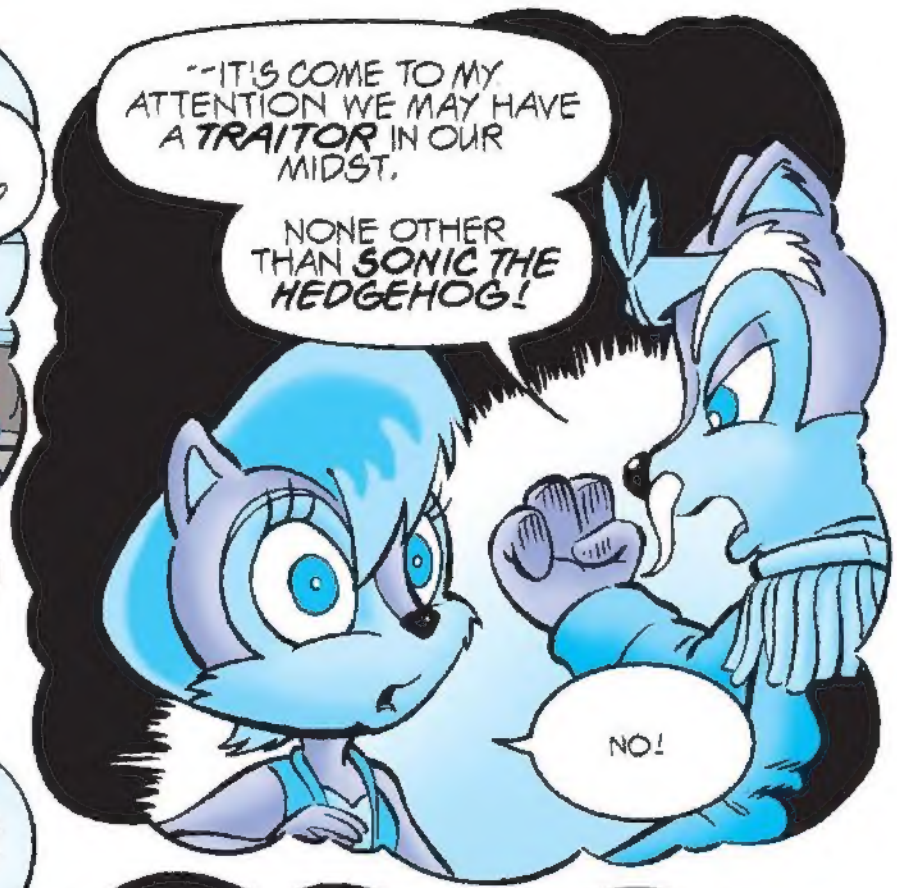

"--THINGS GOT ONLY MORE COMPLICATED."
PRINCESS SALLY!
COME QUICK, CHILD!
WHAT IS IT, ROSIE?

"SHE COULD NOT BRING HERSELF TO SAY, BUT I UNDERSTOOD FULLY WHEN I SAW--"
DADDY!
REALLY, MY DEAR SALLY!
WHAT'S BECOME OF YOUR REGAL BEARING?

IT'S JUST THAT--
NOBODY HAD INFORMED ME OF YOUR RECOVERY, FATHER!

EVERYTHING IS ON A NEED TO KNOW BASIS, MY DAUGHTER!
WE HAVE SO MUCH TO DO--

--AND VERY FEW WE CAN REALLY TRUST!
AS WE SPEAK, ROBOTNIK IS SET TO UNLEASH HIS MOST DEVASTATING ATTACK YET!
IN ADDITION--

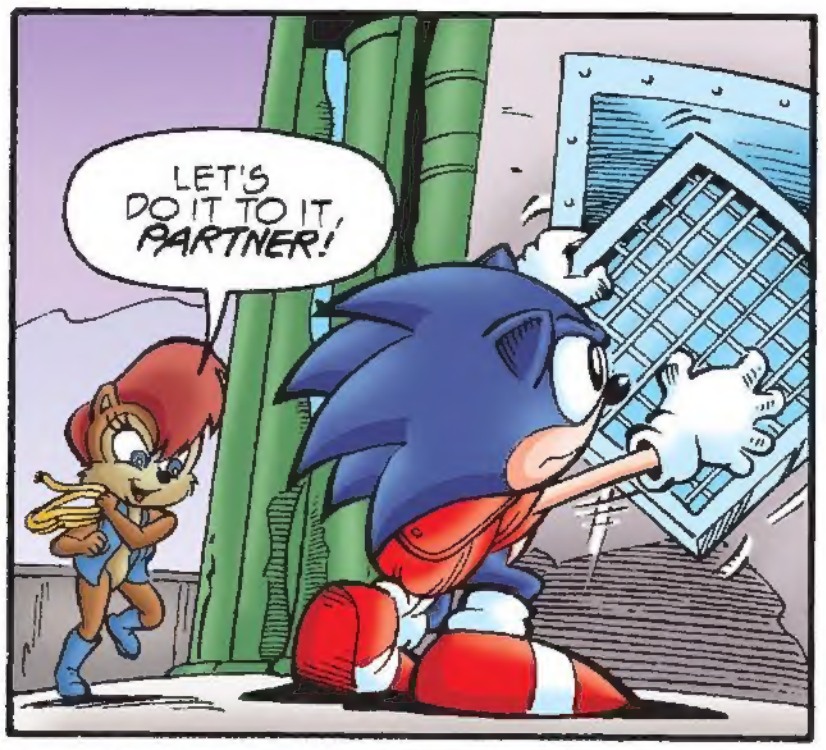

--IT'S COME TO MY ATTENTION WE MAY HAVE A TRAITOR IN OUR MIDST.
NONE OTHER THAN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!
NO!

THIS ISN'T A TIME FOR WEAKNESS, SALLY!
I NEED HIM TO ACCOMPANY YOU ON YOUR NEXT MISSION--

--SO THAT YOU MAY ASCERTAIN WHERE HIS TRUE LOYALTIES LIE!

"I COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT I HAD JUST HEARD. ALL OF A SUDDEN, I FELT AS THOUGH MY FATHER WAS A STRANGER TO ME!"

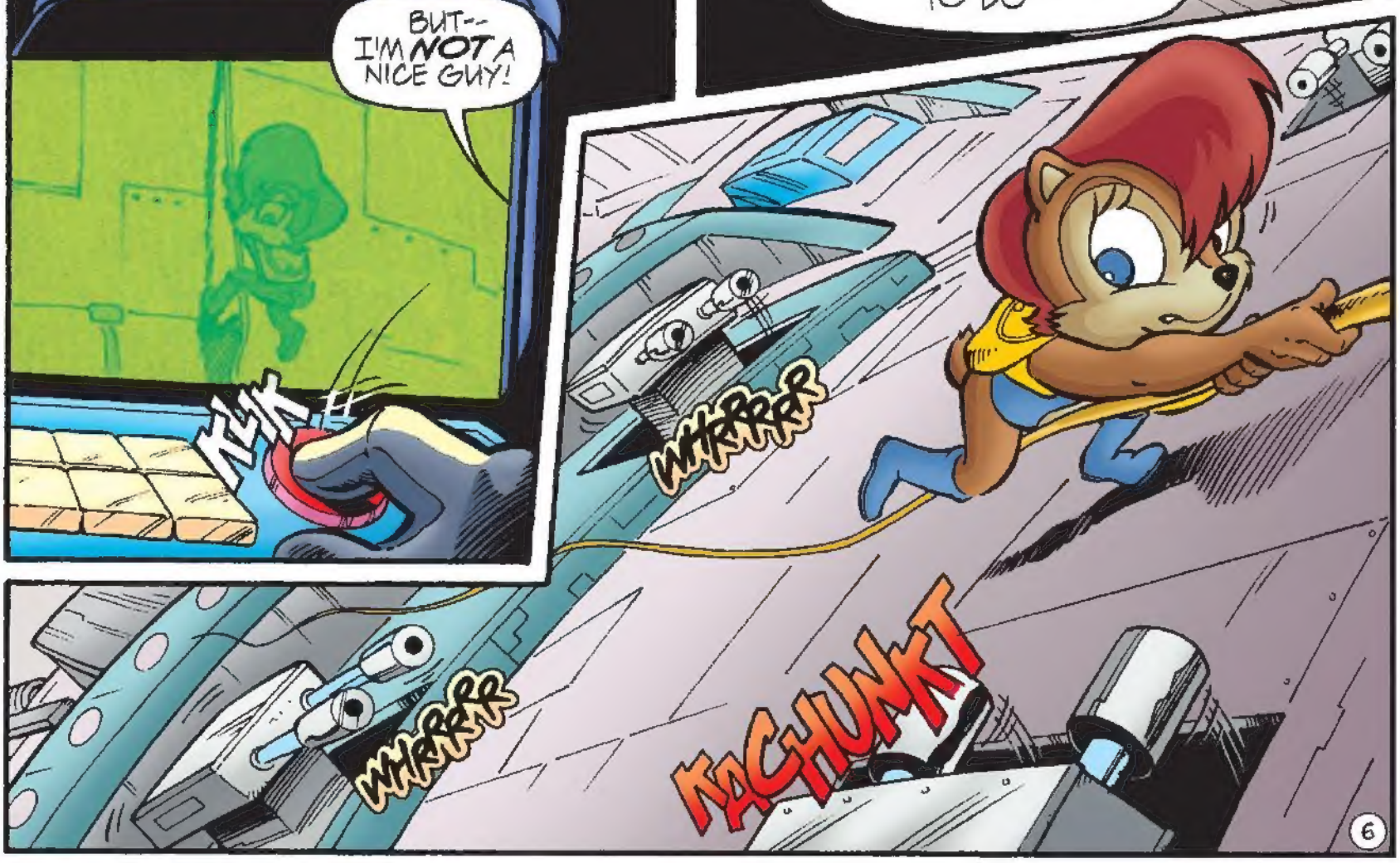
EVEN NOW--
--I KNOW IN MY HEART SONIC WOULD NEVER BETRAY US!
SAL? GIVE THE WORD!


LET'S DO IT TO IT, PARTNER!

ARE YOU KIDDING SAL?
IF THIS IS A CONTEST--

--WE KNOW WHO'S GOING DOWN... HARD!
THERE SHE IS, SNIVELY!
THE APPLE OF HER FATHER'S EYE!
BUT-- I'M NOT A NICE GUY!
KLK

AND SO PREDICT-ABLE AS WELL! EXACTLY ON TIME!
IF I WERE A NICE GUY, I WOULDN'T DO WHAT I'M ABOUT TO DO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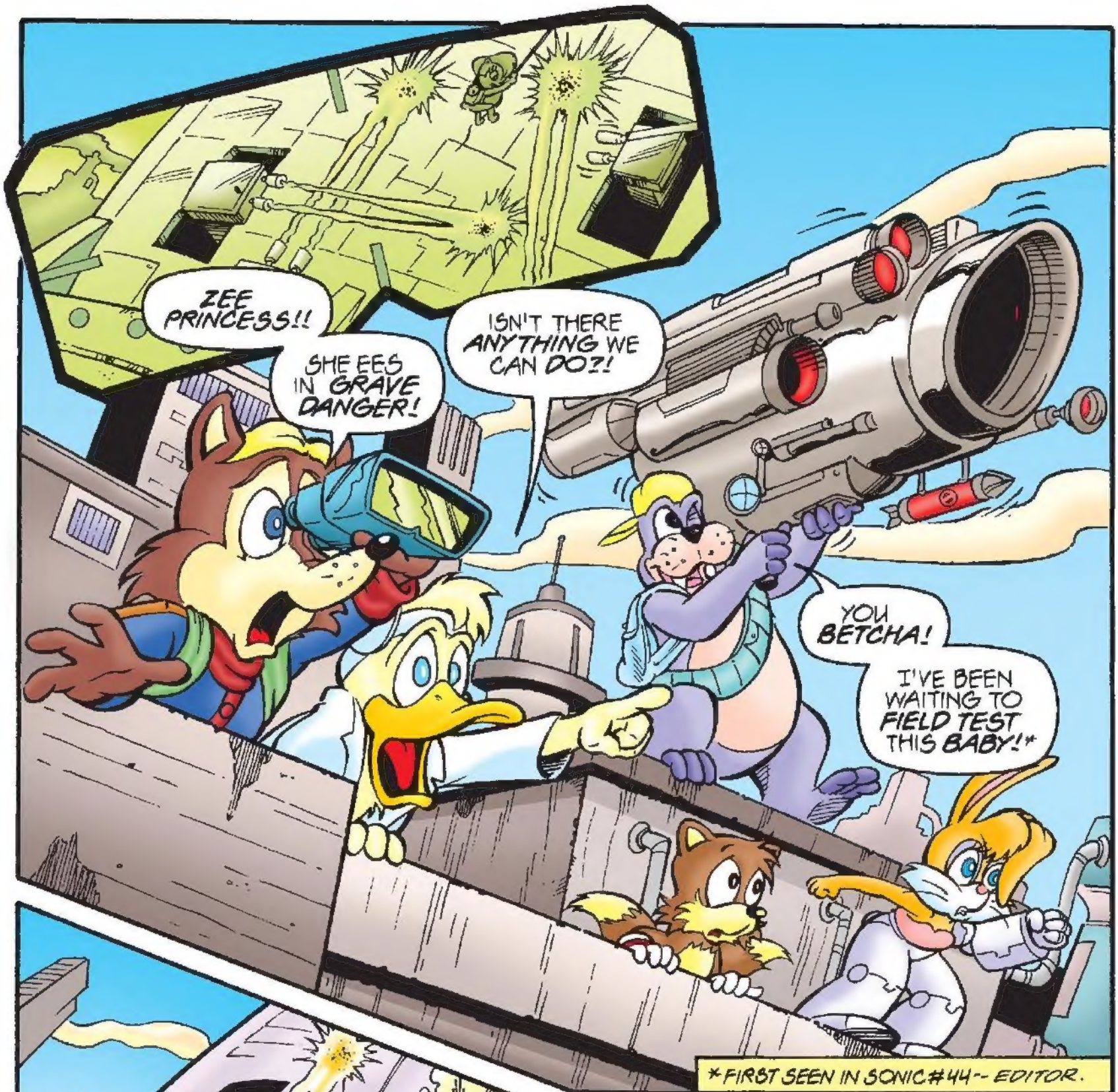
WHRRRR
KACHUNKT



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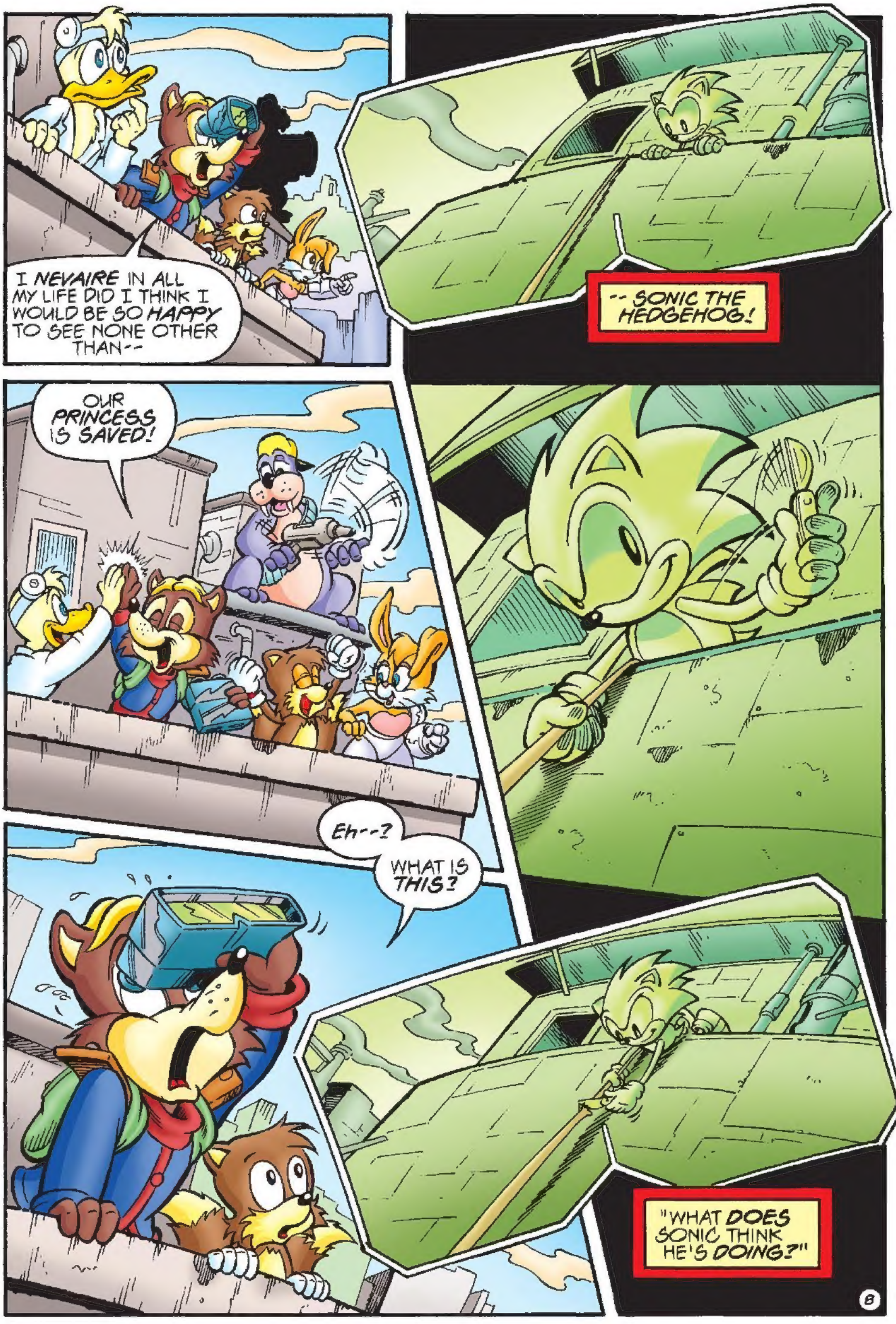
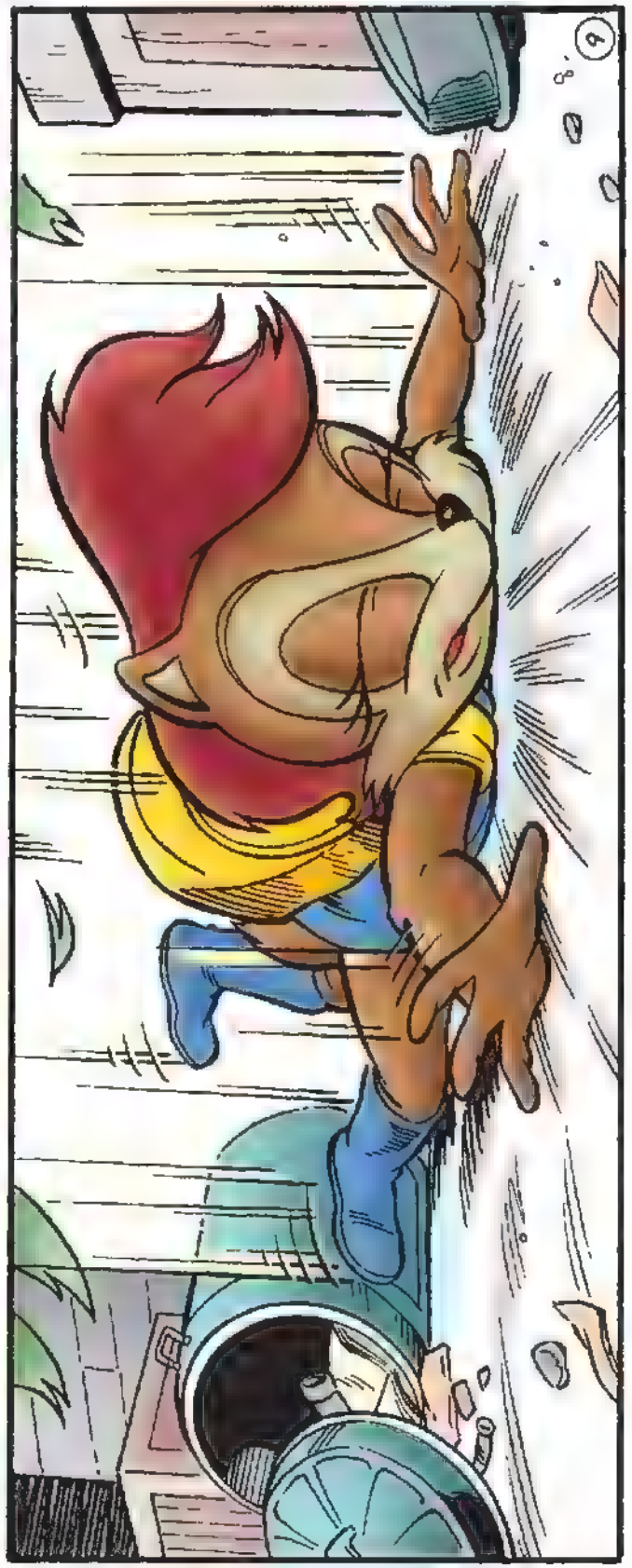
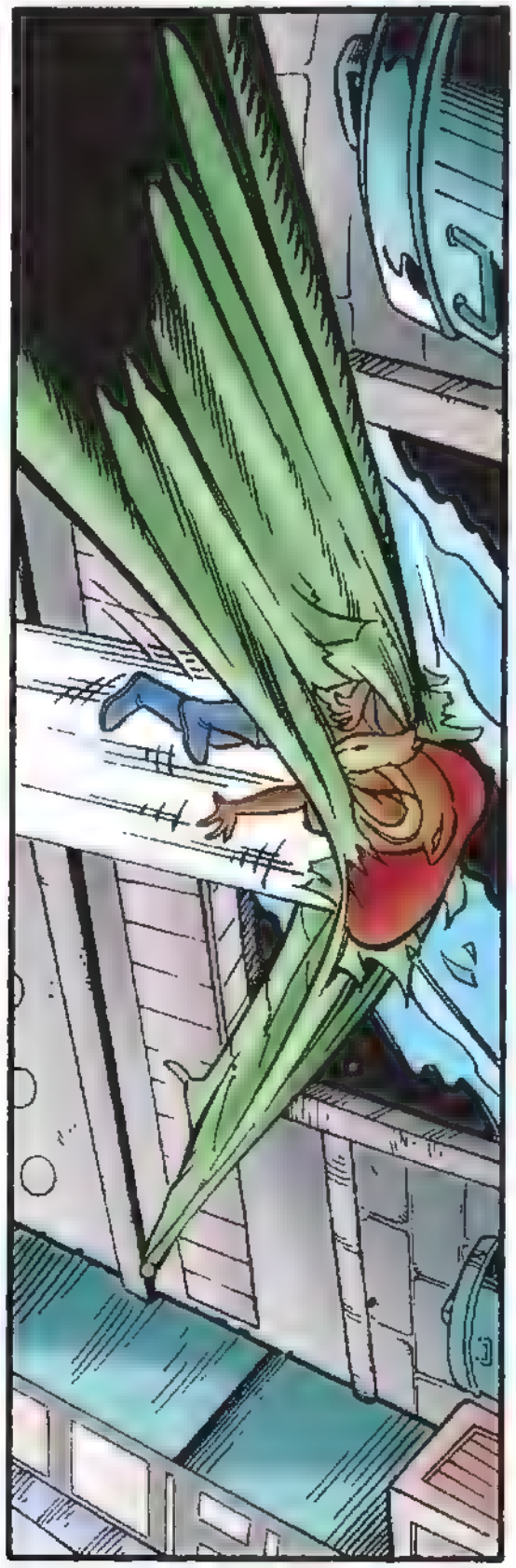
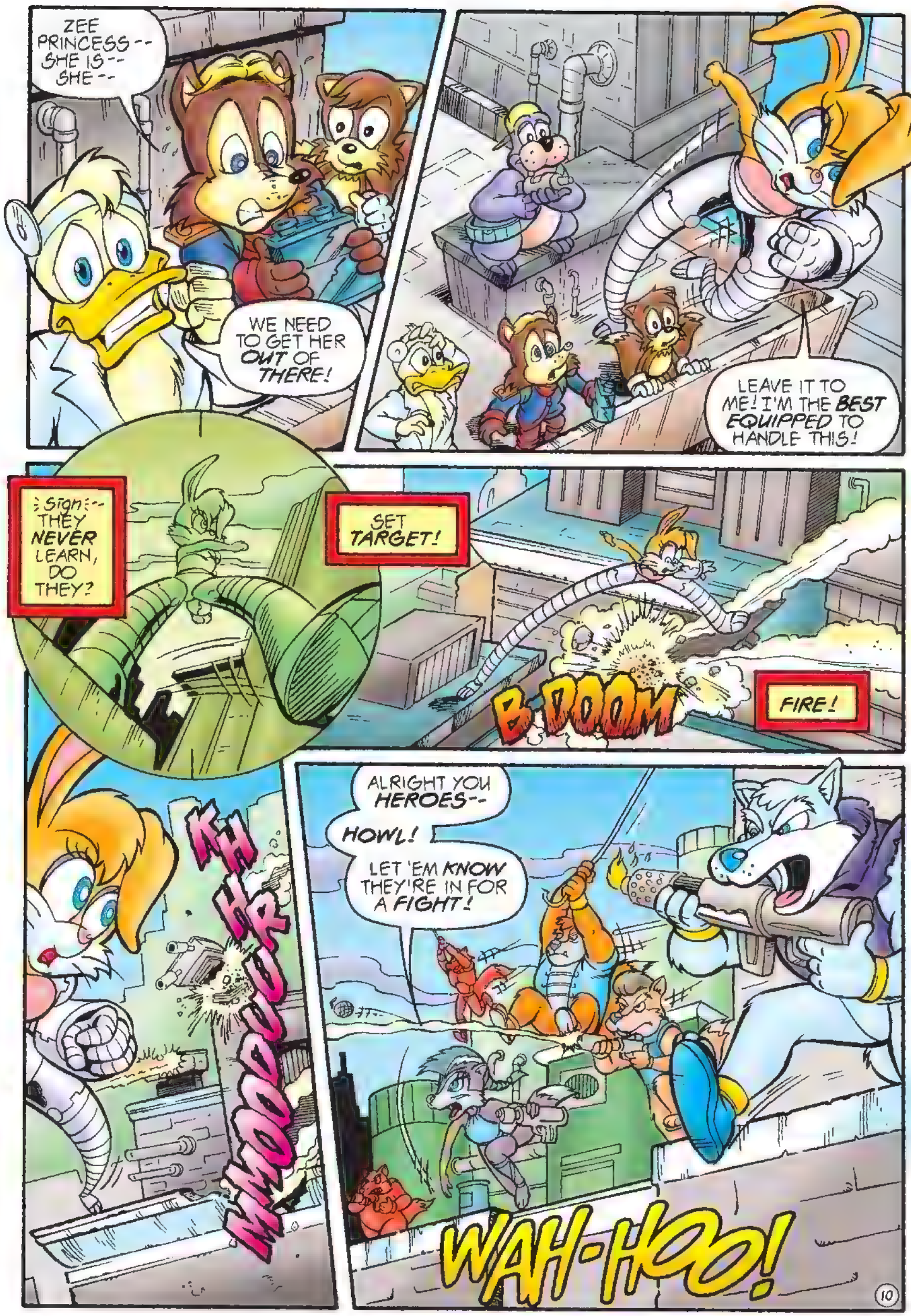
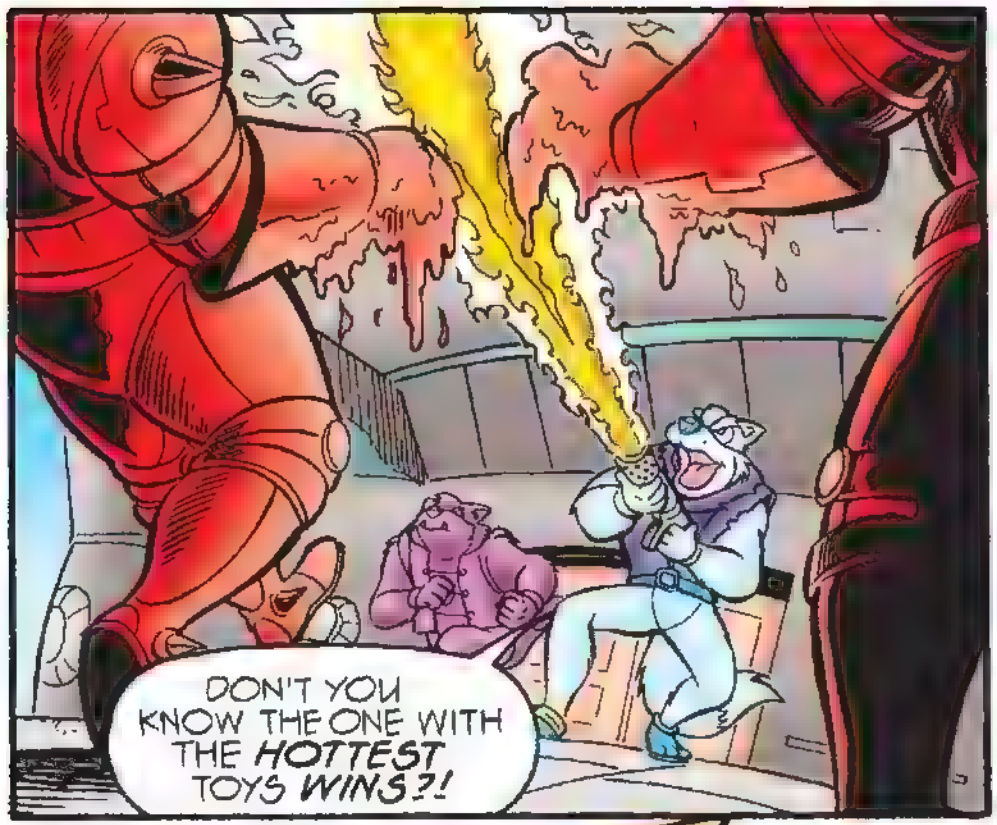

I NEVAIRE IN ALL MY LIFE DID I THINK I WOULD BE SO HAPPY TO SEE NONE OTHER THAN--
-- SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!
OUR PRINCESS IS SAVED!
Eh--?
WHAT IS THIS?
"WHAT DOES SONIC THINK HE'S DOING?"

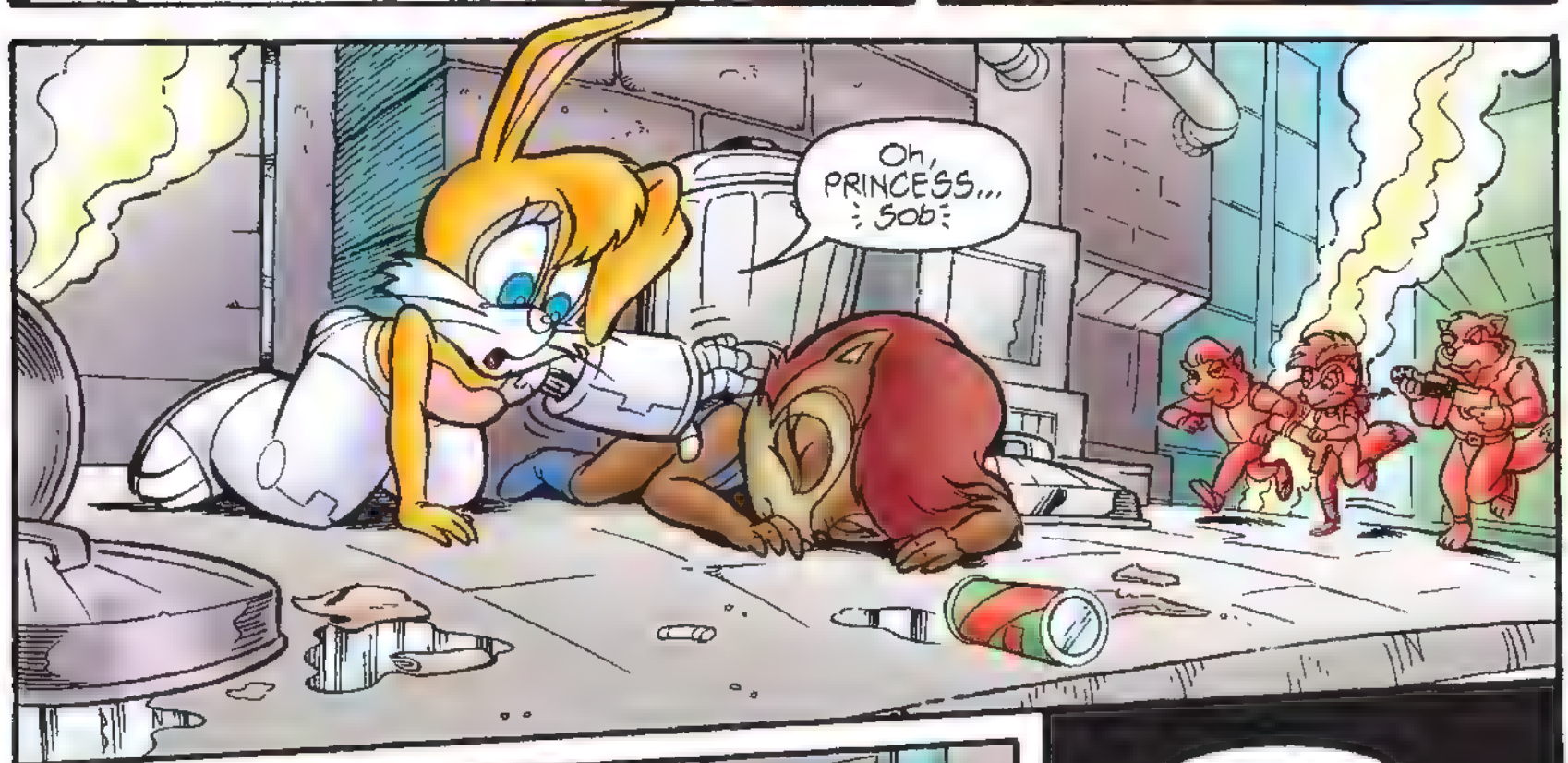





ZEE PRINCESS -- SHE IS -- SHE --
WE NEED TO GET HER OUT OF THERE!
LEAVE IT TO ME! I'M THE BEST EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THIS!
:Sigh:-- THEY NEVER LEARN, DO THEY?
SET TARGET!
B-DOOM
FIRE!
KH HH
MMOOOOUR
ALRIGHT YOU HEROES--
HOWL!
LET 'EM KNOW THEY'RE IN FOR A FIGHT!
WAH-HOO!


DON'T YOU KNOW THE ONE WITH THE HOTTEST TOYS WINS?!

WHOA, TROOPS!
OVER THERE!

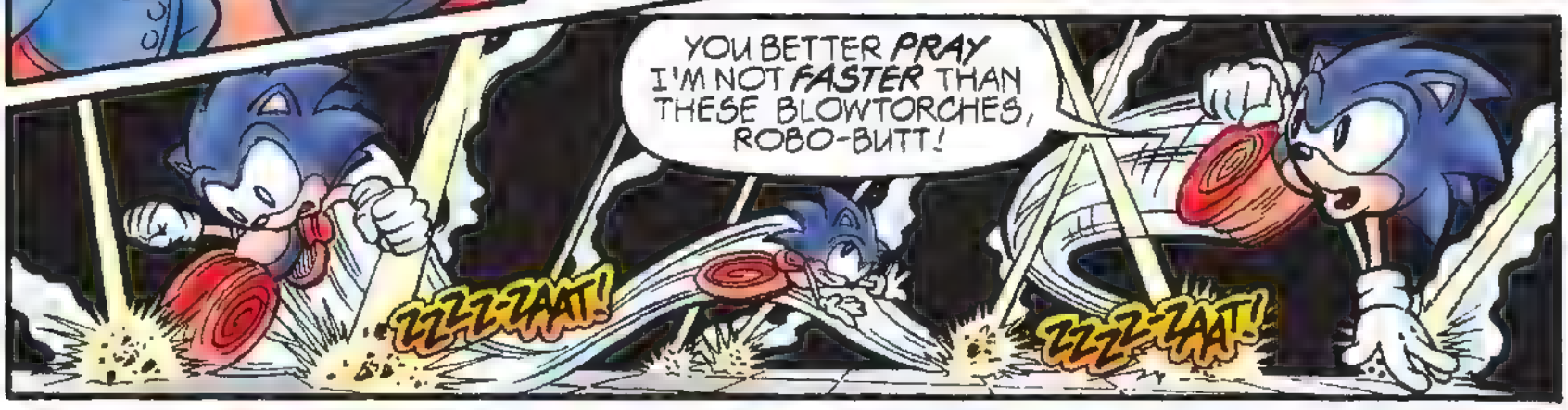

Oh, PRINCESS... :Sob:

Oh, HAPPY DAYS!
IT DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS!

THAT DEPENDS!
WHAT--?

YOU!
ALL THIS TIME AND YOU STILL GET TONGUE-TIED!
THIS IS IT, LARD BUTT!
YOU'RE GOING DOWN FOR THE COUNT--
BIG TIME!

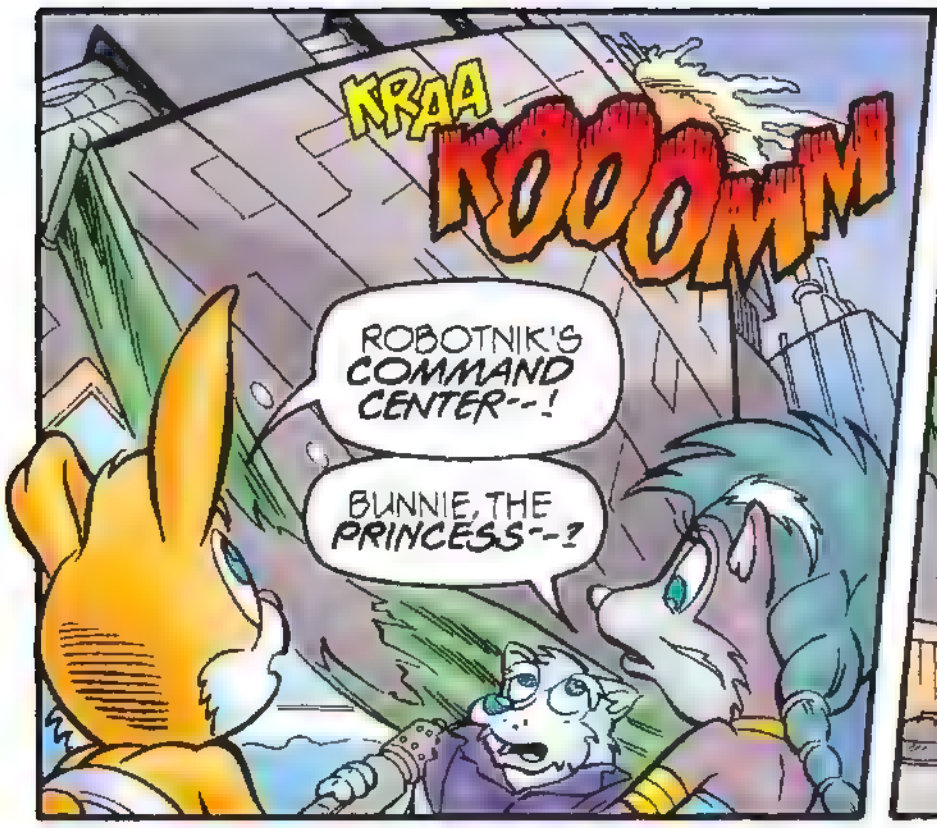
WHAT DO YOU THINK, SNIVELY?
I THINK THE HEDGEHOG IS REALITY CHALLENGED, SIR!
NOT YET-- BUT THIS SHOULD DO FOR A START!
WHOA!
ZZZZ-ZAT!


YOU BETTER PRAY I'M NOT FASTER THAN THESE BLOWTORCHES, ROBO-BUTT!
ZZZZ-ZAAT!
ZZZZ-ZAAT!

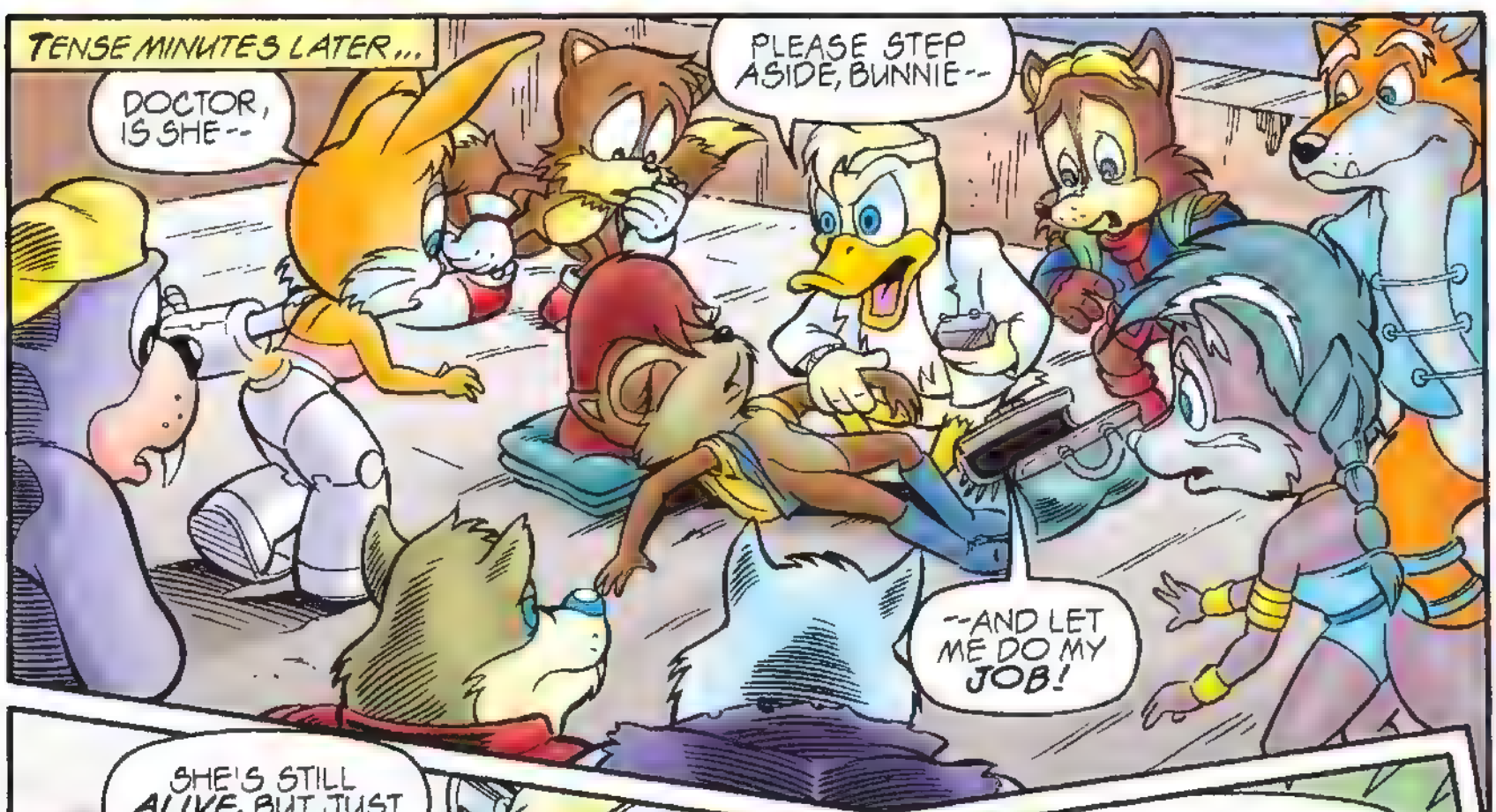
YOU WISH, HEDGEHOG!
WHILE YOUR REALITY WILL SOON END--

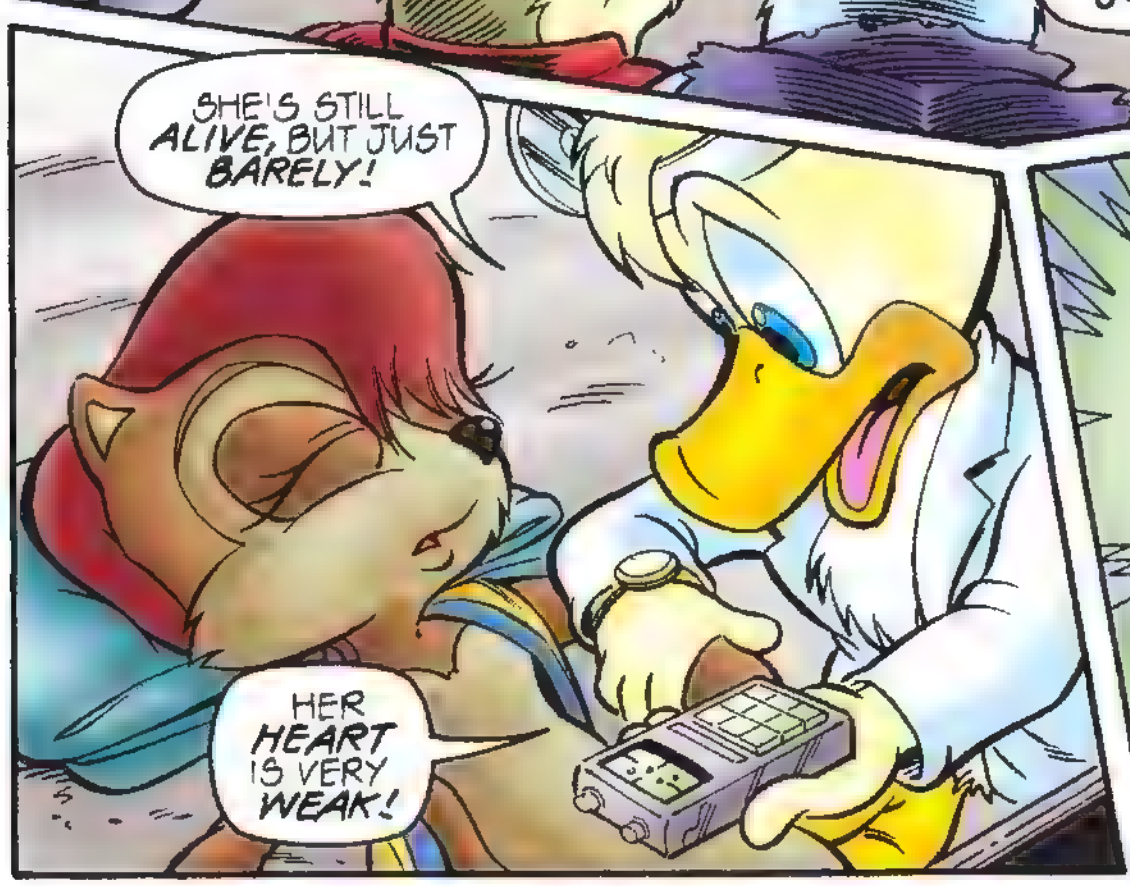
--LET US TAKE LEAVE SO THAT OURS DOESN'T!
THIS WAY, SNIVELY!

WHY DID YOU EVER REPLACE THE ELEVATORS WITH THESE THINGS?!
YOU KNOW I HATE WHAT IT DOES TO MY STOMACH!
GO BACK UP THEN IF YOU WANT THE COMPLAINT DEPARTMENT, SNIVELY!
THERE'S GOTTA BE A WAY TO DEFLECT THESE LASERS!
OOOO, SHINEY!
I THINK THERE'S MY ANSWER!
WOOOF!
DON'T DAWDLE, SNIVELY!
THERE'S STILL MUCH TO DO!
KABOOM
ZZZZA
ONE GOOD BLAST DESERVES ANOTHER!
WE TOOK CARE OF ONE ENEMY, SNIVELY--
--SO WHY NOT GO FOR TWO?
HEY! I JUST THOUGHT--
WHERE'S SALLY?

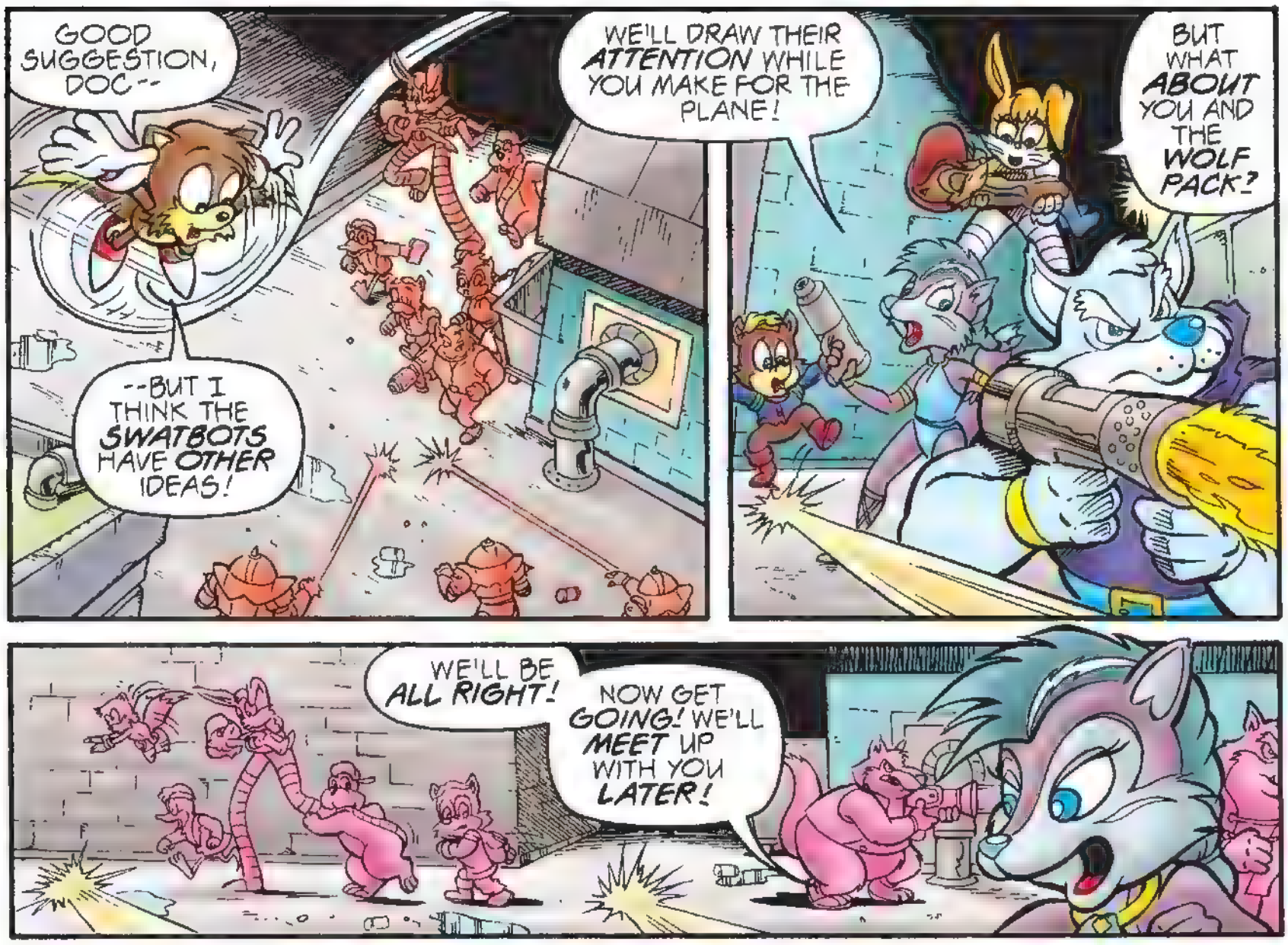

KRAA
KOOMM
ROBOTNIK'S COMMAND CENTER--!
BUNNIE, THE PRINCESS--?

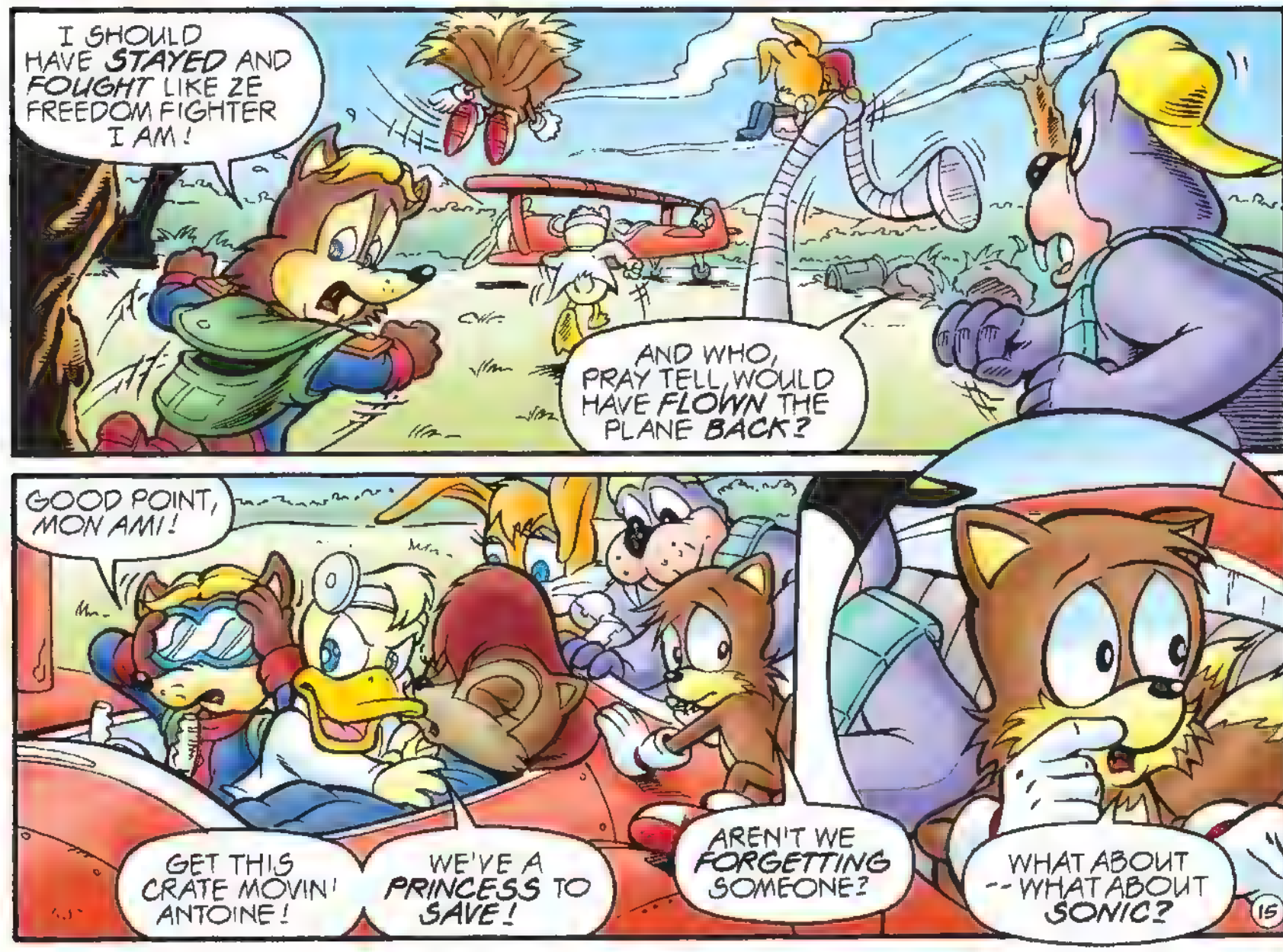
WE RE SHOAH NOT LEAVING WITHOUT HER!
LET'S MOVE!
ALRIGHT, TROOPS--
FALL BACK!

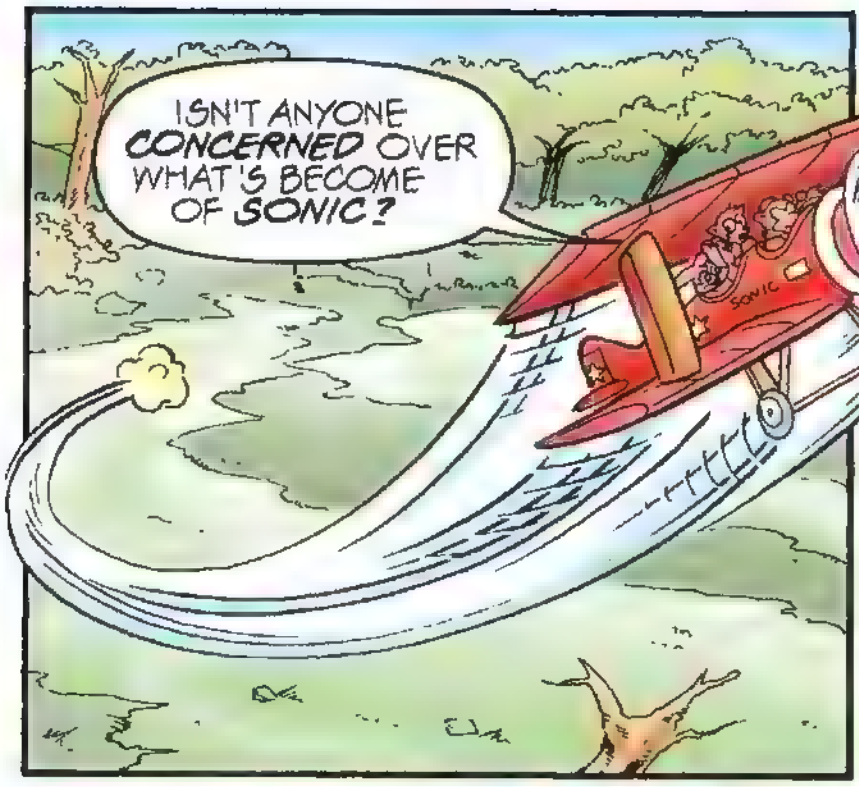

TENSE MINUTES LATER...
DOCTOR, IS SHE--
PLEASE STEP ASIDE, BUNNIE--
--AND LET ME DO MY JOB!

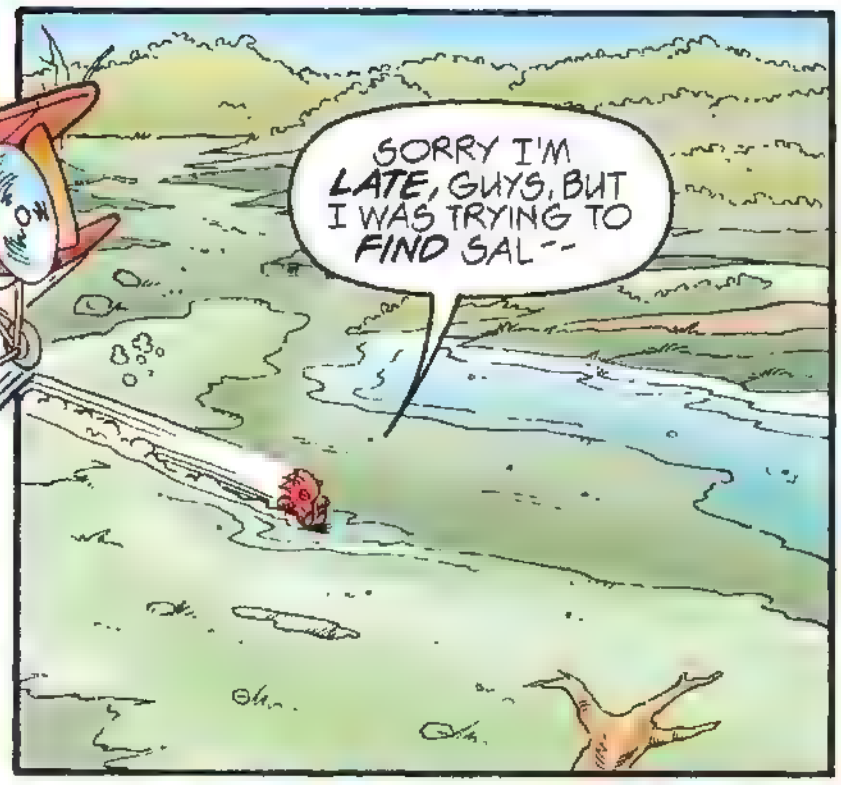

SHE'S STILL ALIVE, BUT JUST BARELY!
HER HEART IS VERY WEAK!

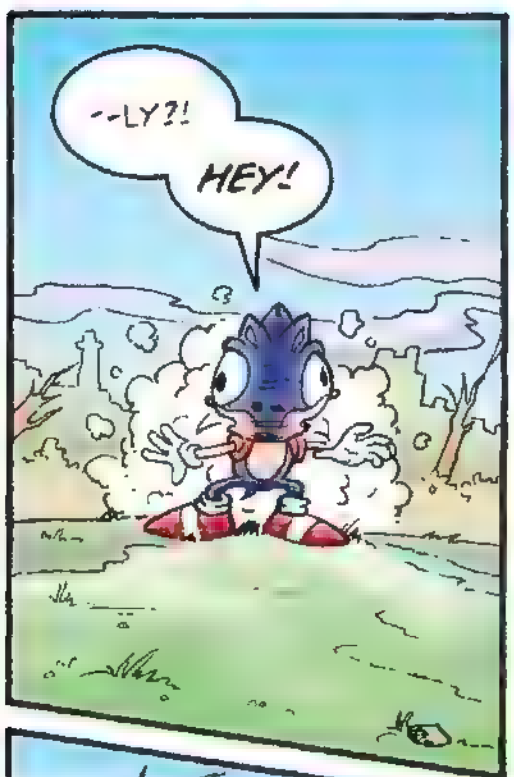
WE NEED TO GET THE PRINCESS BACK TO KNOTHOLE VILLAGE--
NOW!


GOOD SUGGESTION, DOC--
--BUT I THINK THE SWATBOTS HAVE OTHER IDEAS!
WE'LL DRAW THEIR ATTENTION WHILE YOU MAKE FOR THE PLANE!
BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU AND THE WOLF PACK?
WE'LL BE ALL RIGHT!
NOW GET GOING! WE'LL MEET UP WITH YOU LATER!


I SHOULD HAVE STAYED AND FOUGHT LIKE ZE FREEDOM FIGHTER I AM!
AND WHO, PRAY TELL, WOULD HAVE FLOWN THE PLANE BACK?
GOOD POINT, MON AMI!
GET THIS CRATE MOVIN' ANTOINE!
WE'VE A PRINCESS TO SAVE!
AREN'T WE FORGETTING SOMEONE?
WHAT ABOUT -- WHAT ABOUT SONIC?

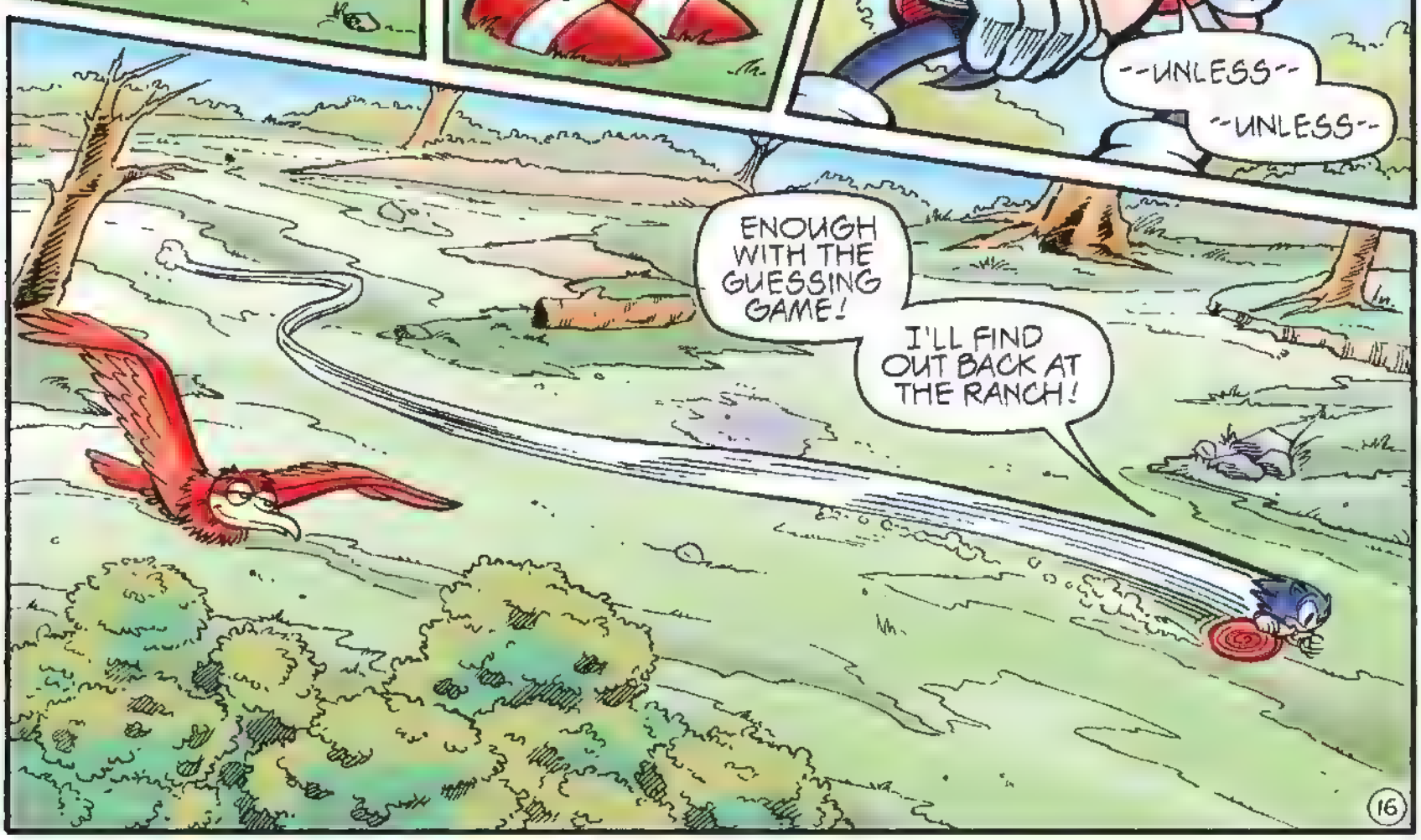

ISN'T ANYONE CONCERNED OVER WHAT'S BECOME OF SONIC?
SONIC


SORRY I'M LATE, GUYS, BUT I WAS TRYING TO FIND SAL--

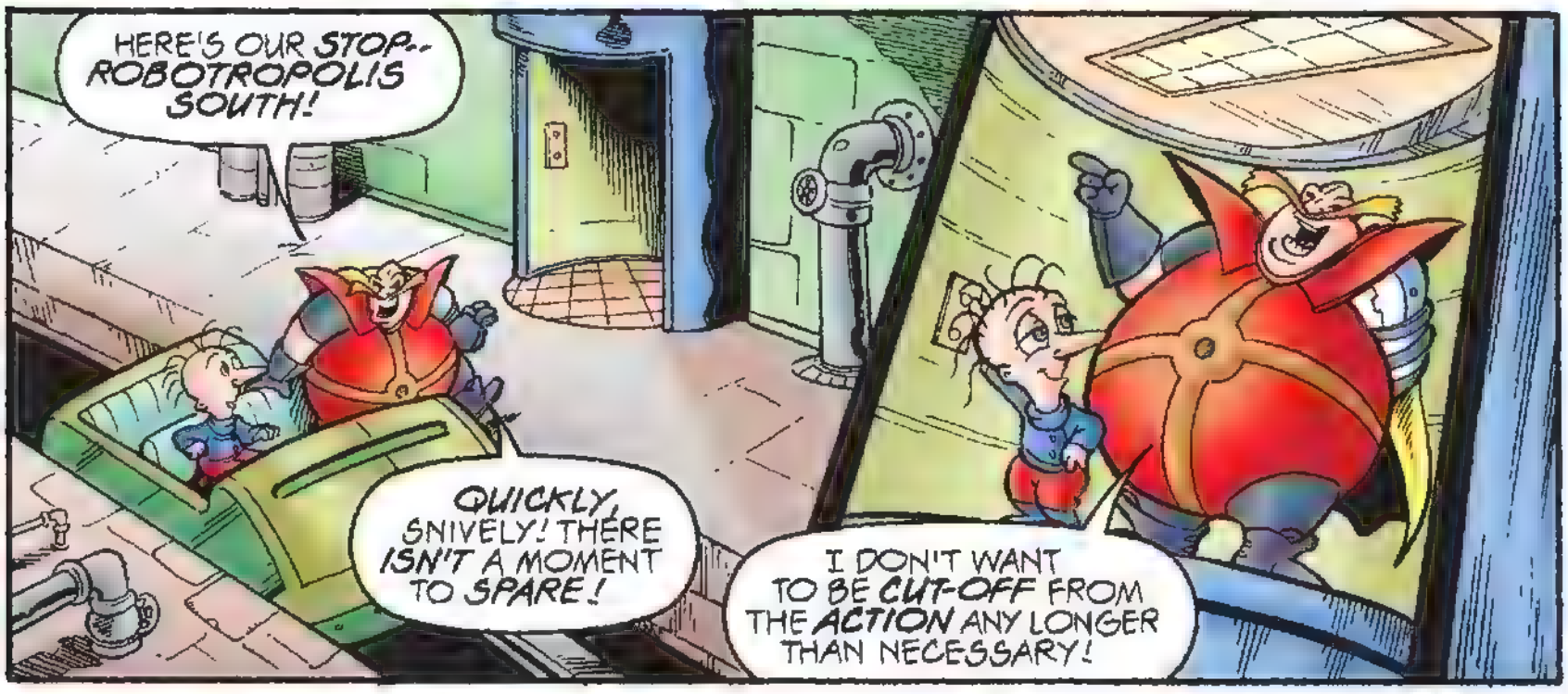

--LY?!
HEY!

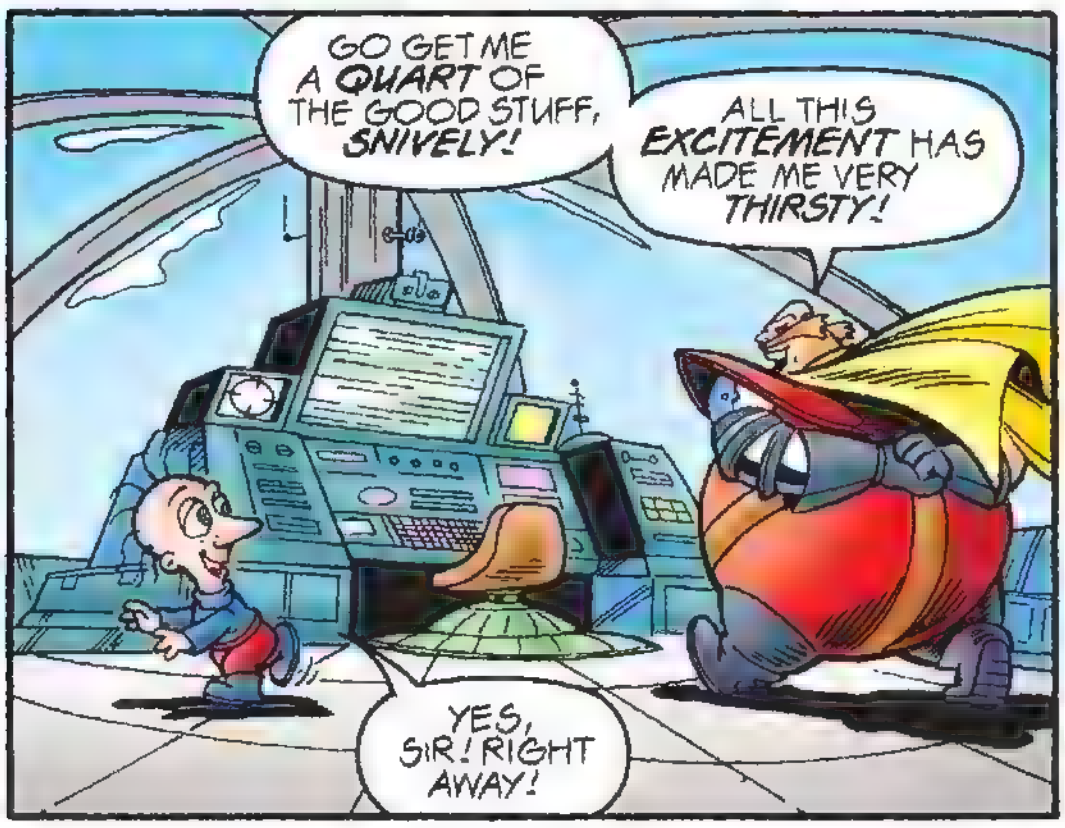
WHERE'S EVERYBODY? AND WHERE'S THE PLANE?

THEY WOULDN'T HAVE JUST LEFT ME--
--UNLESS--
--UNLESS--

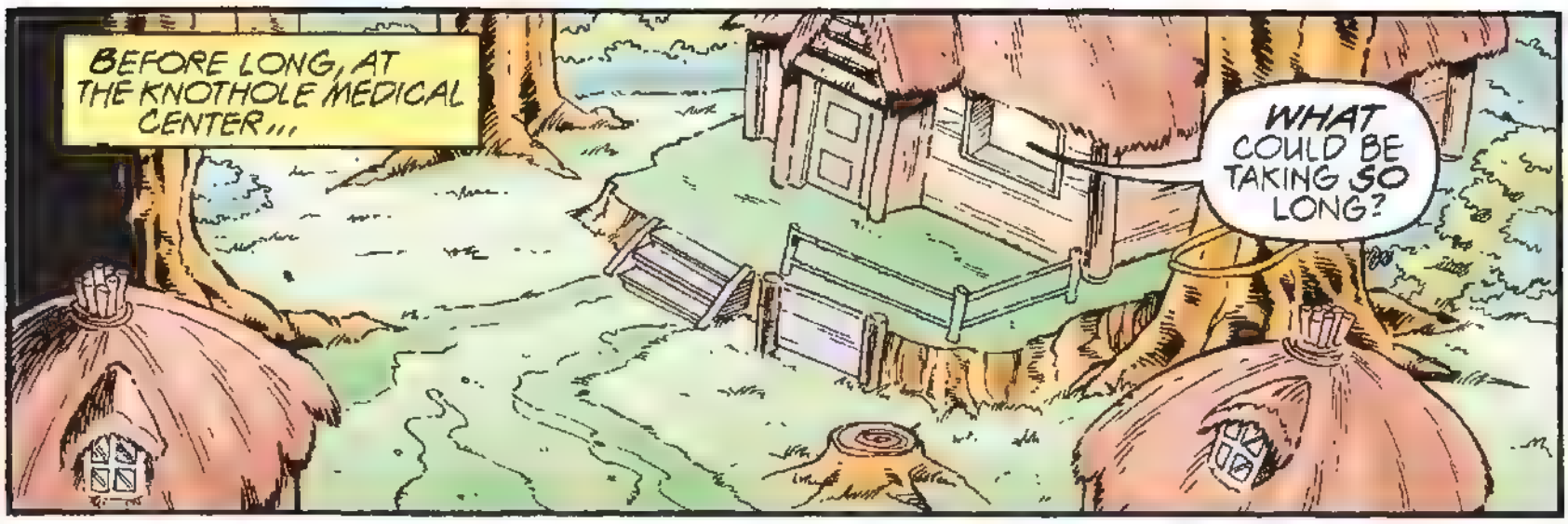

ENOUGH WITH THE GUESSING GAME!
I'LL FIND OUT BACK AT THE RANCH!

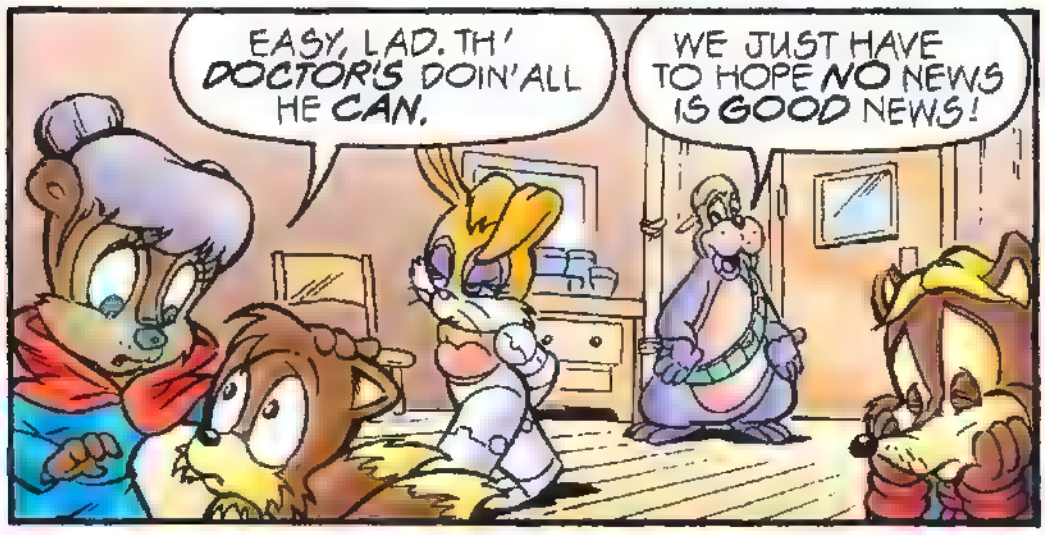
"PROVIDED I DON'T ARRIVE BEFORE THEY DO, THAT IS!"
WHAT A RELIEF MOST OF MY UNDER-GROUND TRANSIT SYSTEM SURVIVED THE DISASTER SNIVELY!*
*BACK IN SONIC #37--EDITOR.


HERE'S OUR STOP.. ROBOTROPOLIS SOUTH!
QUICKLY, SNIVELY! THERE ISN'T A MOMENT TO SPARE!
I DON'T WANT TO BE CUT-OFF FROM THE ACTION ANY LONGER THAN NECESSARY!

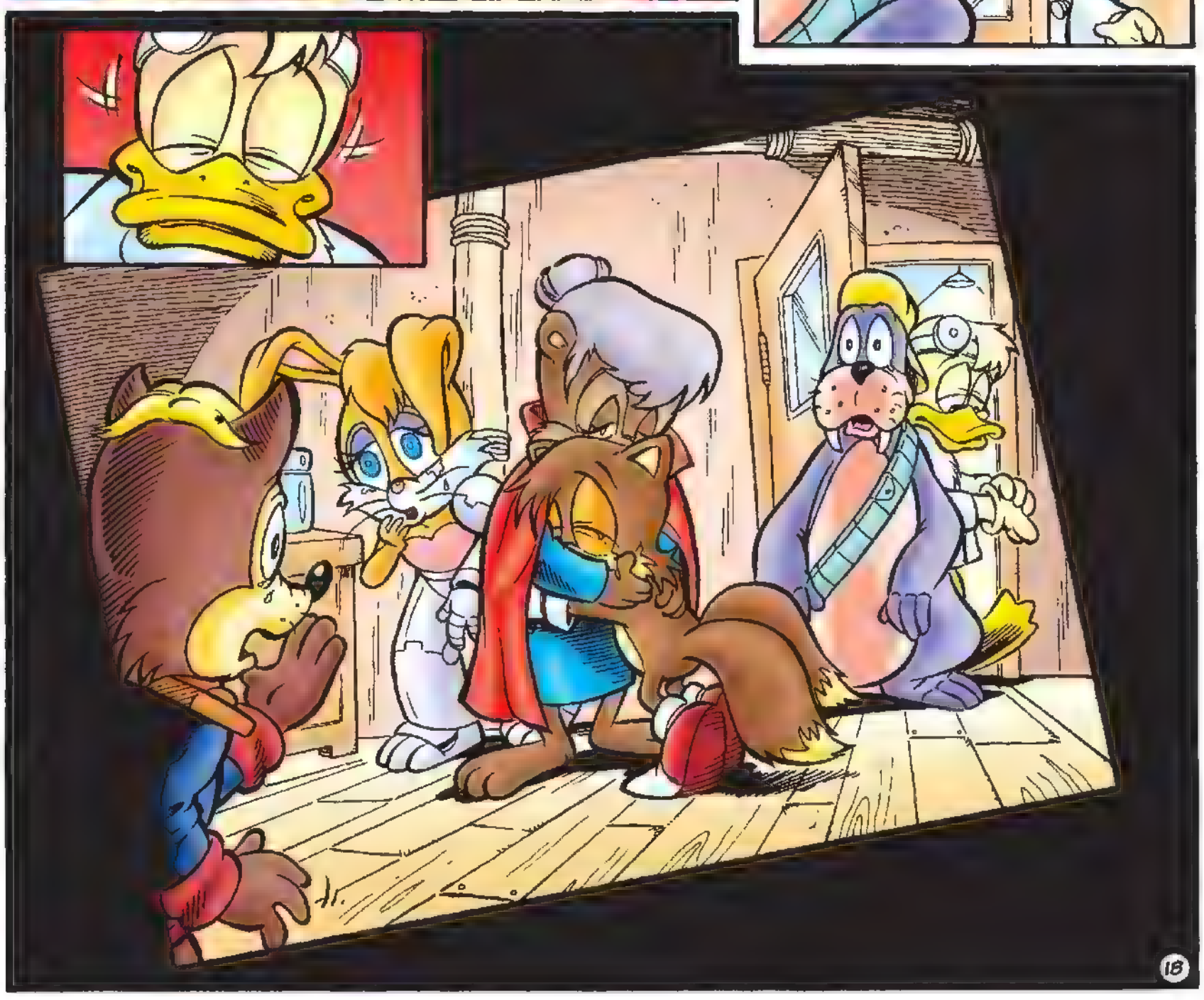

GO GET ME A QUART OF THE GOOD STUFF, SNIVELY!
ALL THIS EXCITEMENT HAS MADE ME VERY THIRSTY!
YES, SIR! RIGHT AWAY!

NOW--
--LET'S SEE IF THIS IS THE NEWS I NEED WHEN I NEED IT!
KLIK

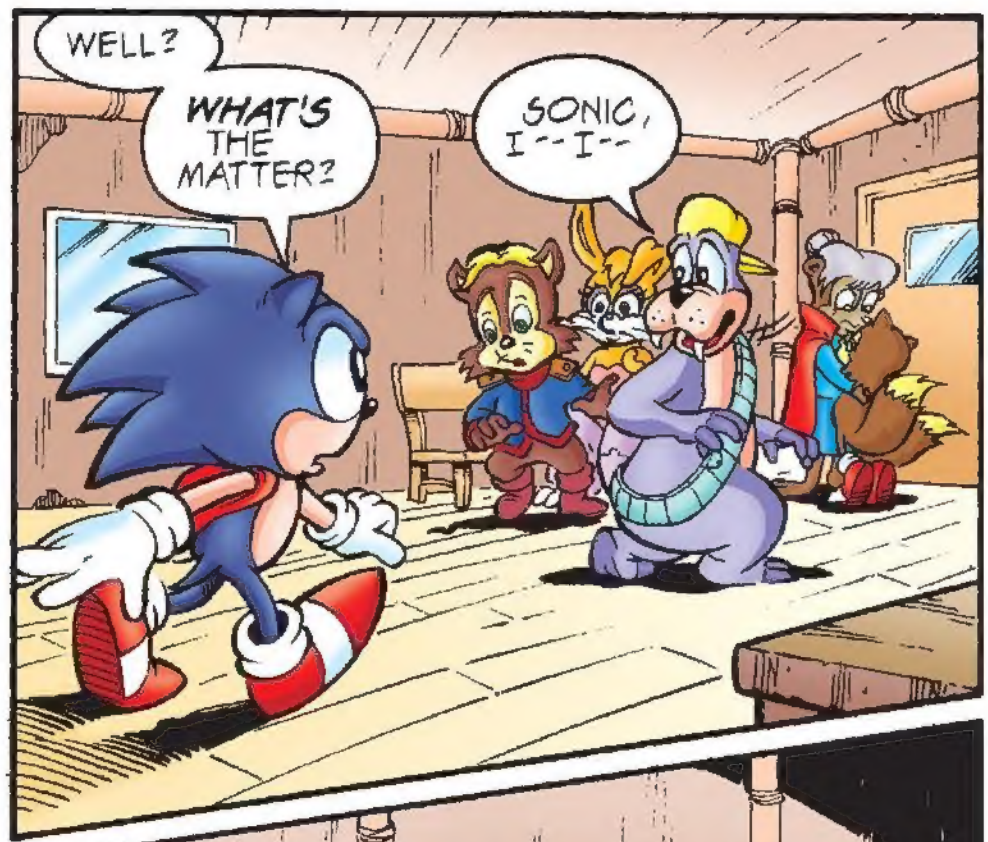

BEFORE LONG, AT THE KNOTHOLE MEDICAL CENTER...
WHAT COULD BE TAKING SO LONG?


EASY, LAD. TH' DOCTOR'S DOIN' ALL HE CAN.
WE JUST HAVE TO HOPE NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS!

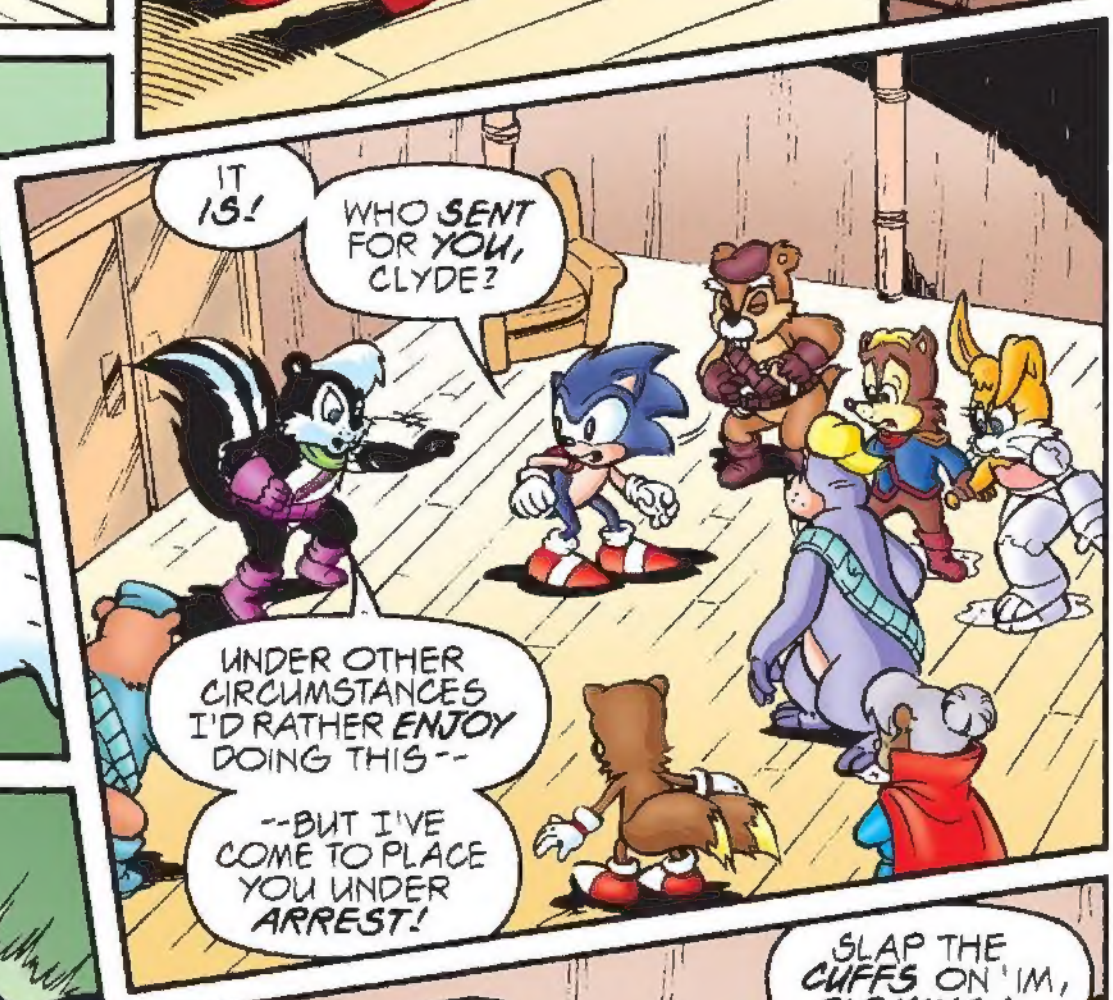
WELL, DOC--?



NOW WILL SOMEONE EXPLAIN WHY I WAS ABANDONED IN ROBOTROPOLIS?!
WHAP
WHAP


WELL?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
SONIC, I--I--

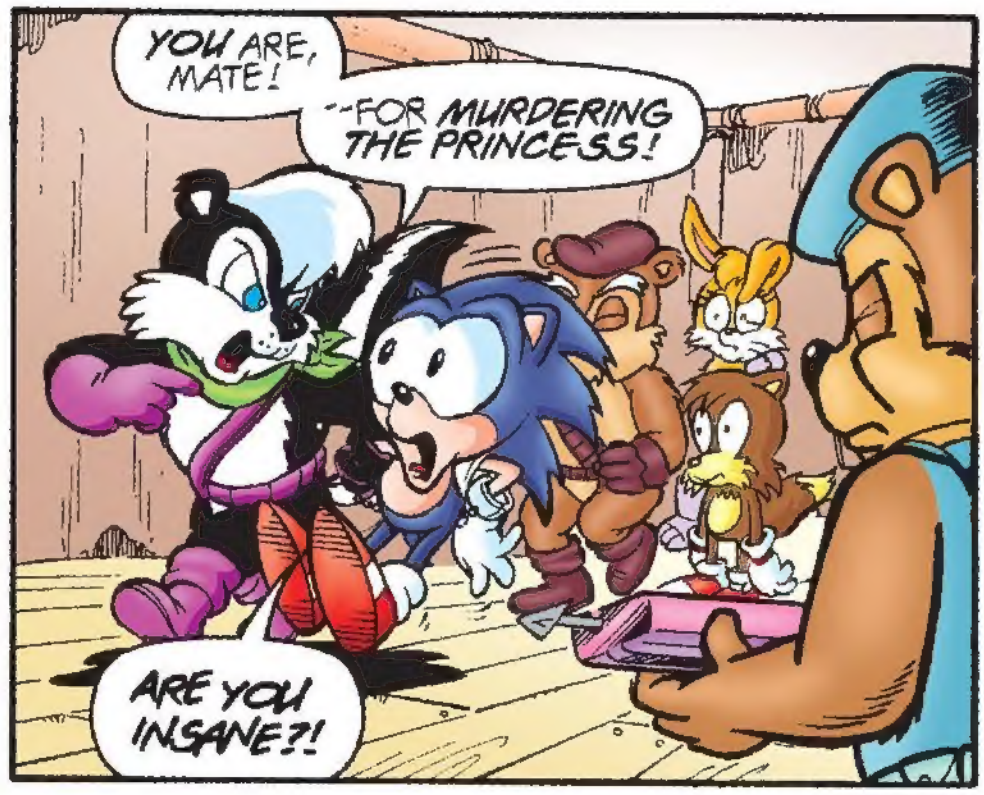
I'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE, MATE!
WHA--? IT ISN'T--


IT IS!
WHO SENT FOR YOU, CLYDE?
UNDER OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES I'D RATHER ENJOY DOING THIS--
--BUT I'VE COME TO PLACE YOU UNDER ARREST!

ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR GOURD?!
FOR WHAT?!
FOR THE HIGH CRIMES OF MURDER AND TREASON, SONIC!

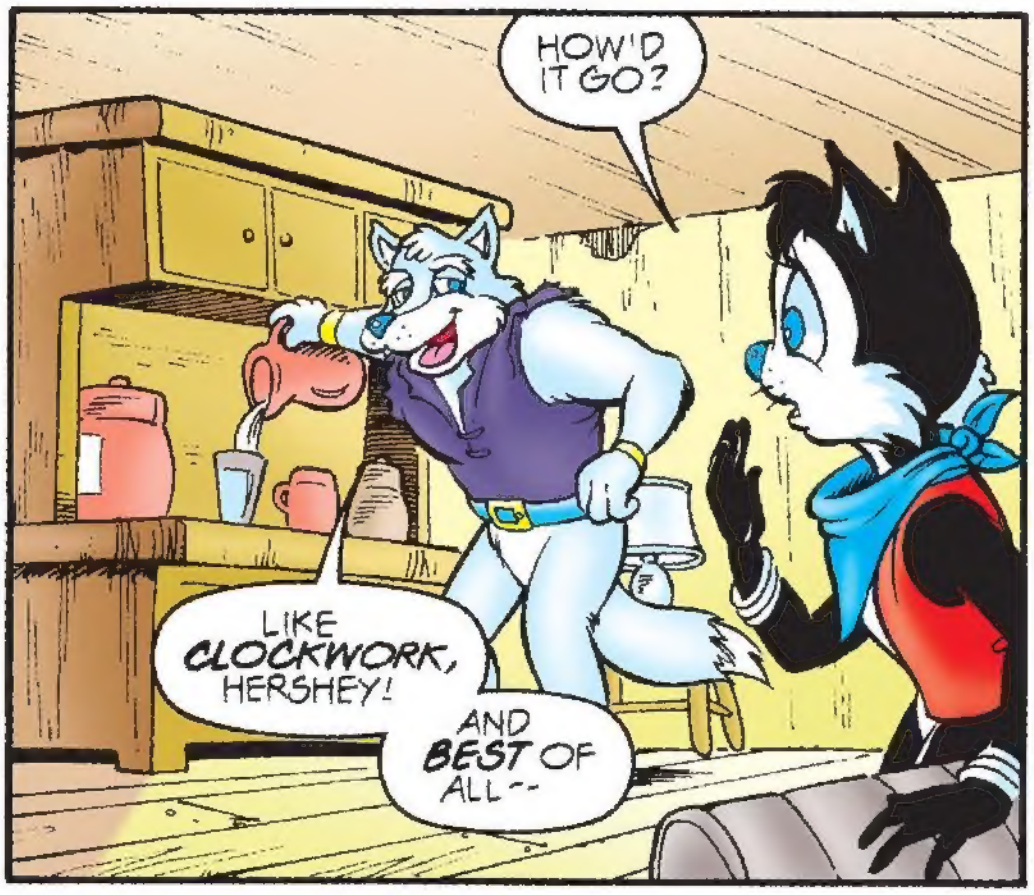
SLAP THE CUFFS ON 'IM, FLEMING!
SAY IT AIN'T SO, SONIC!
SAY THAT WASN'T YOU WHO--WHO--
:Sniff:

--WHO--
YEAH, TAILS--
WHAT?
WILL SOMEONE EXPLAIN WHAT'S GOING DOWN?!

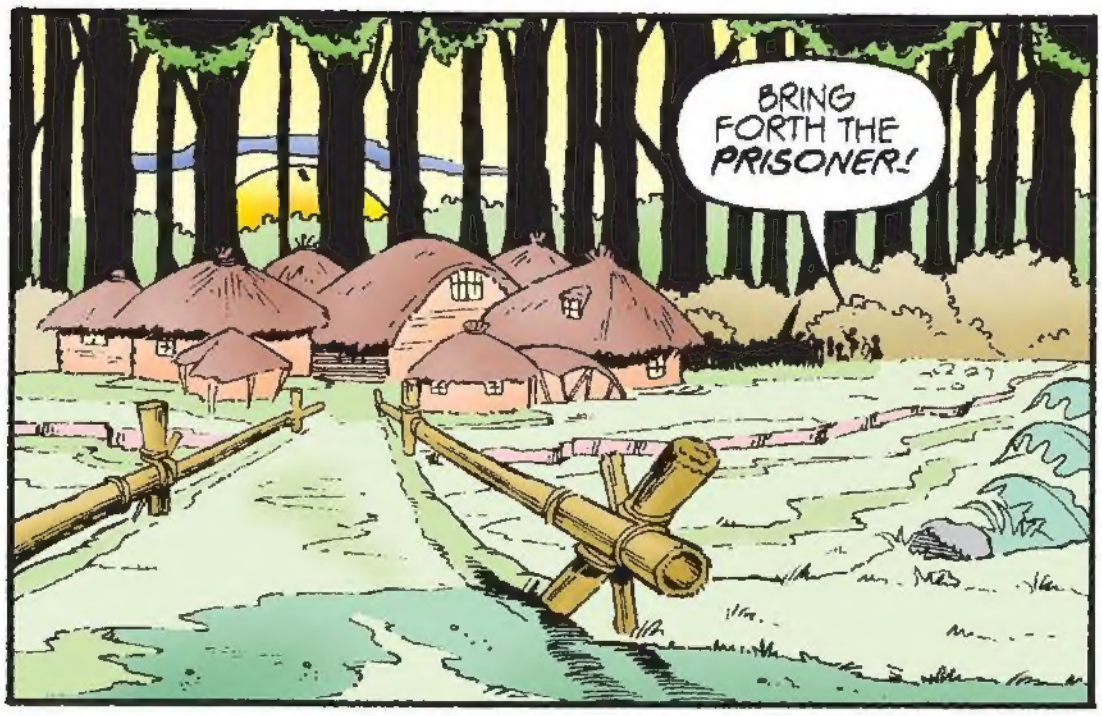

YOU ARE, MATE!
--FOR MURDERING THE PRINCESS!
ARE YOU INSANE?!

"HOW CAN YOU ACCUSE ME OF SUCH A THING?!
KNOCK KNOCK
COME IN!

DRAGO! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I WANTED TO SEE HOW YOU WERE, BABE!
IT'S BEEN QUITE A DAY!

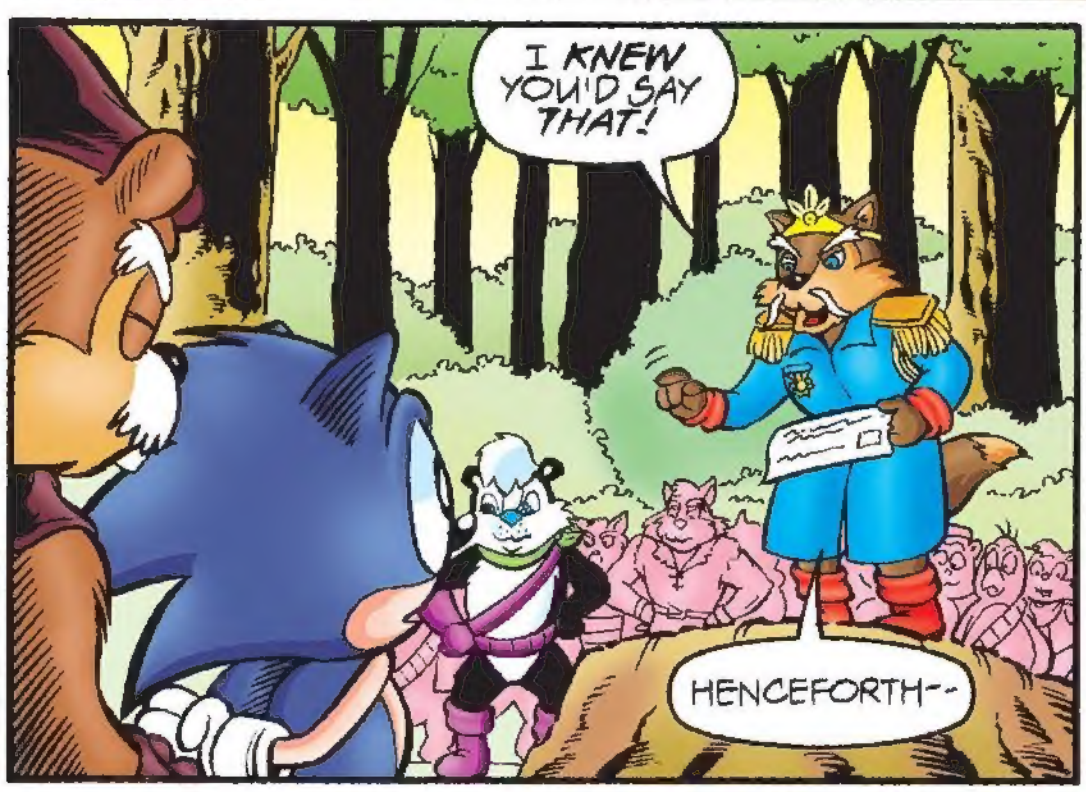

HOW'D IT GO?
LIKE CLOCKWORK, HERSHEY!
AND BEST OF ALL--

--LUPE AND THE REST OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS HAVEN'T A CLUE WHAT'S IN STORE!
Ha Ha Ha HAHAHA HAHA!


BRING FORTH THE PRISONER!

THOUGH THE LOSS BE PERSONAL I BEAR THE ACCUSED NO MALICE.
HOWEVER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR LAWS, I MUST NOW PASS JUDGEMENT ON ONE OF OUR OWN.

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG--
--HOW DO YOU PLEAD TO THE CRIME OF MURDER MOST FOUL OF YOUR PRINCESS?
SIRE, I'M INNOCENT!
I WOULD NOT-- COULD NOT--EVER DO SUCH A THING!


I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT!
HENCEFORTH--

IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR SERVICES TO THE REALM, I WILL FOREGO THE DEATH PENALTY.
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG...

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